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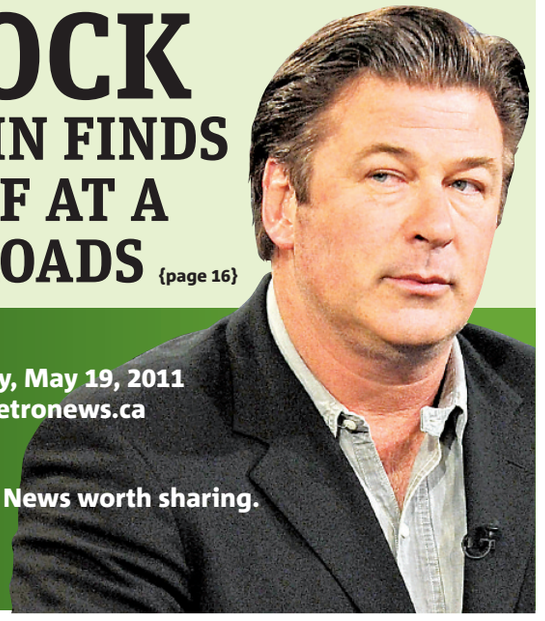

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City scores tournament

Ottawa to host 2013 World Women's Hockey along with the provincial junior tournament Events will contribute $35 million to local economy: Mayor Jim Watson

The International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) World Women's Championship is coming to Ottawa along with a provincial minor hockey tournament, thousands of players and fans and millions of dollars in economic benefits.

"It's going to create a lot of jobs and a lot of economic activity for the city," said Mayor Jim Watson, at a press conference at Scotiabank Place, where he and officials from Hockey Canada, the Ontario Women's Hockey Association (OWHA) and the Ottawa Senators announced the tournaments will arrive in the capital April 2-9, 2013.

"It impacts so many young girls. These athletes playing at the worlds are their role models, so we're bringing the provincial championship into Ottawa so they can share the joy of being part of the World Championship," said OWHA president Fran Rider.

Fans can register for volunteer and ticketing information now at hockeycanada.ca.

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▶ Local minor hockey player Samantha Coates smiles as her friend and fellow hockey player Leanne Bell tries to attach an OWHA pin to her Sens jersey at the announcement of the IIHF World Women's Championship at Scotiabank Place yesterday. "I think it's great to highlight how good Ottawa's girls clubs are," said Coates of the two tournaments coming to town.

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O-Train may expand

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Baird steps up

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Oprah Winfrey says goodbye with star-studded gathering {page 16}

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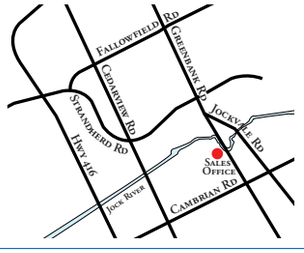

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Baird faces tough terrain as foreign minister

John Baird may be Canada's new top diplomat, but that won't prevent Stephen Harper's favourite political pitbull from baring his teeth on the international stage from time to time.

Baird's promotion to Foreign Affairs in yesterday's cabinet announcement was taken as a sign by some that one of the prime minister's fiercest partisans would have to muzzle his growl and demur to the niceties of international diplomacy.

But Baird showed no sign of an impending personality makeover when he characterized his new job in confrontational terms as he left Rideau Hall.

"I fight hard for what I believe in," Baird said, firing off freedom, democracy, human rights and the rule of law as examples of those beliefs.

Some of the Harper's strongest foreign policy critics applauded the selection of Baird, citing his tough, non-compromising style as a perfect fit for his new job. But they also warned of a tough road ahead in elevating what they view as Canada's sunken standing on the international stage.

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▶ John Baird

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▶ Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his cabinet pose for a group photo following a swearing-in ceremony at Rideau Hall in Ottawa yesterday.

Harper unveils his biggest cabinet yet

Prime Minister boosts size cabinet to 39, tying it with biggest ever

Stephen Harper unveiled the first cabinet of his majority government yesterday, sticking mainly with familiar faces and promising to make the economy his No. 1 priority.

That brought immediate cries of hypocrisy from critics who slammed Harper for boosting the size of cabinet while moving forward with an austerity program to cut billions of dollars in government spending.

But Harper dismissed the criticism.

"I think it's important to know when you're talking about austerity, that this government has reduced ministerial budgets significantly," he said.

"So the question here is not cost, the question is making sure that we have a ministry that is broad, representative of the country and tries to use people's talents to the maximum."

The man guiding the nation's finances, Jim Flaherty, is among the veterans staying in their posts, along with Defence Minister Peter MacKay.

In one of the biggest moves, Tory stalwart John Baird becomes the country's top diplomat as foreign affairs minister, replacing Lawrence Cannon, who was defeated in the May 2 election. Peter Van Loan takes over from Baird as government House leader.

In another big switch, Tony Clement leaves the industry portfolio to become treasury board president, and Christian Paradis takes over his old job. Clement faces the challenge of cutting billions in spending as the government looks to reduce its huge deficit.

"Any hockey coach will tell you that if a team is going to keep winning over time, it must maintain a corps of veterans and then gradually blend in new talent."

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Lars Von Trier's guide to Cannes publicity: Nazi quips and musing about Kirsten Dunst in porn.

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A FEW LITTLE TWEAKS

Bus route changes: Round 3

OC Transpo has announced 17 tweaks to the bus-route changes that take effect this fall.

"We think we're now fixed on where the bus routes are going to run," said Pat Scrimgeour, manager of transit service design, adding that it may still be possible to extend service hours.

For the most part, the changes are service extensions. For example, there will be special Sunday service on Route 118 to access church on Prince of Wales Drive north of Heron Road.

The only route cancellation announced was Route 165 in Kanata. But other route additions in the area, including Route 68, will make up for the loss, Scrimgeour said. JESSICA SMITH

No breaks on student fares

Full-time students who aren't eligible for special transit rates will have to wait another year for the chance of a discount.

The transit commission voted yesterday to delay a decision that would change student-fare eligibility until the 2012 budget.

Students at some private colleges that aren't registered with the Ontario Student Assistance Program aren't eligible for student fares. OC Transpo general manager Alain Mercier estimated the cost of extending the program to 13 private colleges would be $200,000 to $300,000 a year. JESSICA SMITH

OC Transpo eyeing O-Train expansion

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▶ The transit commission is asking staff for a feasibility study on expanding the O-Train south from Greenboro Station to the Leitrim Park and Ride and Riverside South.

Transit board will 'find the money' to increase service

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After massive cost-cutting at OC Transpo, the transit commission is looking at making O-Train service more frequent and expanding it farther south.

The commission also wants a feasibility study on expanding the line as far as Riverside South. Expanding south would give rapid transit access to "underserviced" communities, Coun. Diane Deans said yesterday.

"The very earliest we could get service to Riverside South is 2026, and I think, realistically, it would be much later than that," she said. "For probably not that much more money, we could take the O-Train all the way to Riverside South and effectively provide light rapid-transit service to that community within the next few years, as opposed to two decades off."

Deans' motion came after OC Transpo general manager Alain Mercier told commissioners yesterday the city could see more frequent service along the current O-Train route by 2014, at a cost of $59 million.

Mercier said the $59-million price tag would be covered by current city accounts, in part by reducing the need to buy more buses.

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Diplomats get the boot

Behaviour cited as reason for expelling Libyan Embassy members

"Canada has condemned the actions of the Gadhafi regime and will continue to do so. We strongly support international efforts to bring Gadhafi and other leaders of that regime to account for the crimes they have committed."
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Members of Ottawa's Libyan community were happy to hear Canada has expelled five diplomats from the Libyan Embassy for "inappropriate" behaviour.

"We think it's great news and we're glad that the Canadian government finally made this step," said a spokesperson for the Canadian Libyan Council (CLC), who spoke to Metro on condition of anonymity. "It's something that we've been pushing for for a long time."

In a news release Tuesday, Foreign Affairs said the five Libyan diplomats carried out activities that were considered "inappropriate and inconsistent with normal diplomatic functions."

Following the unrest in Libya, the CLC joined other Canadian-Libyans in lobbying the Canadian government to expel diplomats from the Libyan Embassy.

Although Canada has not severed diplomatic relations with Libya and the embassy in Ottawa remains open, the government still maintains that the Libyan leader, Moammar Gadhafi, needs to step down.

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▶ On Friday, groups for and against Moammar Gadhafi clashed outside the Libyan Embassy on Metcalfe Street.

BIXI bikes here, so are viability questions

The National Capital Commission finally unveiled Capital BIXI in Ottawa yesterday, but not without facing questions about its profitability after the city of Montreal bailed out the bike-sharing program on Tuesday.

City council in Montreal approved a $37-million loan package to cover BIXI's deficit, and $71 million in loan guarantees to help BIXI branch out to other markets. Alain Ayotte, the president of the company behind BIXI, the Public Bike System Company, brushed off concerns that the bailout was a sign that Ottawa could face the same setback.

"The financial statement from the last year is public, posted on bixi.com … and shows a profit of 40 per cent of what was expected from BIXI," said Ayotte. "So we are in line with the financial plan and we are very confident we'll continue to be highly profitable."

Marie Lemay, CEO of the NCC, was all smiles at the official launch at the Queen and Elgin BIXI station. She expects the mayors of Ottawa and Gatineau to be on board for committing to the service in their next budgets.

"Both mayors have told me that they would be discussing it in their budget process coming up right now, so I have every reason to think they will be on board," said Lemay.

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▶Residents and visitors can start renting the 100 BIXI bikes located across Ottawa-Gatineau's 10 docking stations. The NCC hopes to add more docking stations throughout the region, and plans for stations at Public Works and Government Services and Environment Canada are already in the works.

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News in brief

Bids for Royal hat near $30K

LONDON. Online auctioneer eBay says that bids for Princess Beatrice's massive, ring-and-bow-shaped hat have approached 18,400 pounds (or $28,000 US).

The Philip Treacy creation turned heads at the wedding of the princess' cousin, Prince William, last month's and has since become an internet sensation.

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Fictional flood warnings

BUDAPEST. Hungary's disaster management agency is testing the country's emergency broadcast system with warnings of severe storms in Middle-earth, the fictional setting of J. R. R. Tolkien's The Lord of the Rings.

It chose the land of Hobbits, Orcs and Elves to avoid alarming people.

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$2B US magnet arrives at space station

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA. A mammoth cosmic ray detector arrived at the International Space Station yesterday. The priciest cargo carried by a space shuttle will search the invisible universe and help explain how everything came to be.

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Winnipeggers engaged on Oprah's last show

Woman's mom fakes headache so boyfriend can go to show ◗ Onstage proposal shocks girlfriend

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▶ Alex Babinsky proposed to girlfriend Jenna Steinsvik on Oprah's last show.

Winnipeg nurse Jenna Steinsvik got the surprise of her life when her firefighter boyfriend Alex Babinsky proposed to her on the last taping of the Oprah show.

"I knew he'd do something big because he's like that. He's big in everything he does," Steinsvik said on her cellphone yesterday on the way home to Winnipeg from Chicago. "But, no, I never expected this."

While sitting in the crowd at the United Center, a producer called Babinsky up on stage, much to Steinsvik's shock.

Babinsky called his girlfriend of a couple years to the stage, got down on one knee and proposed with "Will You Marry Me, Jenna" flashing on the screens around the Center.

In front of a wildly cheering crowd, Steinsvik said yes.

Steinsvik said she's still stunned — and that, no, the couple hasn't set a date. She isn't sure if the proposal will be aired, but it was taped.

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Maid telling truth: Lawyer

Hotel carpet probed for traces of semen ◗ IMF head under suicide watch ◗ New bail hearing today

The lawyer for the maid who accused IMF head Dominique Strauss-Kahn of assaulting her says he has no doubt his client is telling the truth.

"She came from a country in which poor people had little or no justice, and she's now in a country where the poor have the same rights as do the rich and the powerful," lawyer Jeffrey Shapiro said.

The 32-year-old maid from Guinea says Strauss-Kahn tried to rape her in the penthouse suite of New York's Sofitel Hotel.

Strauss-Kahn remained jailed under a suicide watch yesterday.

Investigators cut out a piece of penthouse carpet in a search for DNA evidence. They believe the carpet may contain Strauss-Kahn's semen, spat out after forced oral sex.

Meanwhile, Strauss-Kahn, 62, was set for another bail hearing today.

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Carney to IMF?

Calls are emerging for the resignation of IMF head Dominique Strauss-Kahn.

- Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney is being named as a possible replacement. Time magazine called him one of the world's most influential men.

Brazil. March

▶ Fake blood and a crown of thorns.

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Showing their pain

Demonstrators used a touch of ingenuity to make their point during a march against homophobia in Brasilia, Brazil, yesterday. One wore a crown of thorns. Another painted his face with the colours of the Brazilian flag.

Forget the 'ick factor,' this cancer test can save you

Incidence and death rates for most cancers have stabilized or fallen, Canadian statistics show.

But officials are stepping up a call for the 50-plus crowd to test for one form of cancer in particular in the privacy of their own bathrooms.

"We're starting to win the war with colorectal cancer," said Dr. Jeff Sisler, working at Cancer Care Manitoba in Winnipeg.

The fecal occult blood test and the fecal immunochemical test involve sending a tiny sample of stool to a lab, where technicians can detect trace amounts of blood — a possible sign of colorectal cancer.

Sisler acknowledged the "ick factor" but said the test only needs to be done once every two years, and is not onerous.

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The grim toll

Some facts and figures from Canadian Cancer Statistics 2011:

- An estimated 177,800 new cases of cancer will be diagnosed in Canada in 2011.
- An estimated 75,000 deaths from cancer are expected in 2011.
- Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in men, with an estimated 25,500 diagnoses this year. About 4,100 men will die from the disease.
- An estimated 23,400 Canadian women will be diagnosed with breast cancer, and about 5,100 will die from it.
- Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death.

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B.C. journalist safe after Syrian ordeal

Al-Jazeera's Dorothy Parvaz was accused of being a spy Damascus has banned most foreign reporters

Blindfolded and handcuffed, Dorothy Parvaz spent a night in a Syrian courtyard listening to the wails of young men being beaten until their voices were hoarse.

It was the first night after the British Columbia journalist was stopped by Syrian officials while travelling to Damascus on assignment for Al-Jazeera's English-language news network.

She had no idea if anyone knew what had happened to her, she said in her first public comments since her ordeal ended Tuesday.

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▶ Al-Jazeera journalist Dorothy Parvaz.

"I'm fairly certain (it was) for that purpose, to scare me, and I heard two separate interrogations and beatings," she said in the Doha, Qatar studio interview posted yesterday on the news organization's website.

The Iranian-born Parvaz was set free on Tuesday, nearly 19 days after being taken into Syrian custody on April 29. She had been deported from Syria to Iran, where she also has citizenship, but no one had heard from her until the day of her release.

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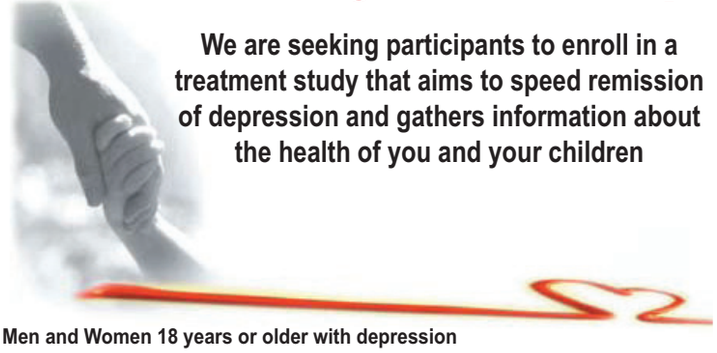

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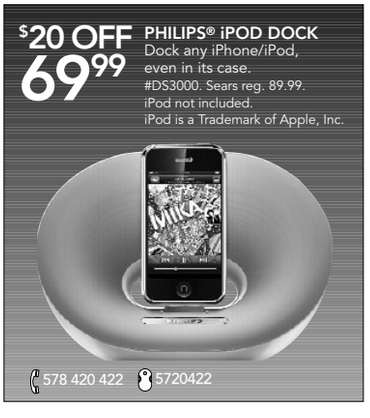

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▶ Author Jo Stanley poses with a feather boa.

Making waves

Halifax unveils museum exhibit on gay seafarers

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Author Jo Stanley dove into a drag queen's closet yesterday, pulling out ball gowns and feather boas.

Stanley, from Halifax, England, led the media on a tour of a new exhibit at the Maritime Museum in Halifax. It's called Hello Sailor! Gay Life on the Ocean Wave.

Museum curator Dan Conlin said there has been little resistance to the exhibit.

"One chief petty officer said everybody knew there were gay sailors in the navy and nobody ever talked about it, so hats off to you for being brave enough to explore it."

The exhibit is based on the book Stanley co-authored on the history of gay British mariners.

But before bringing the exhibit to Halifax, two oral-history researchers recorded the stories of five local gay sailors — including Frank Letourneau.

He had been in the navy for 13 years when he was forced to resign.

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Advocacy group wants McClown to go

McDonald's defends mascot against irresponsible marketing accusations

His floppy shoes, painted-on smile and flaming-red hair may be a harder sell to today's kids who are trading in their dolls and trucks for manicures and mobile game apps at ever younger ages.

He also seems out of step with McDonald's Corp.'s new efforts to appeal to adults. The 48-year-old spokesclown fell flat in new ads this year, according to Ace Metrix, a U.S. group that tracks TV advertising.

And the U.S. government is getting strict on marketing unhealthy food to children. That has both marginalized Ronald as more of a mascot than a product pitchman and landed him in the middle of the bigger debate about food makers' responsibilities in stemming the rise in childhood obesity.

McDonald's says it is proud of the food it offers and that Ronald teaches children to be active.

Critics say it's time to hang up the yellow jumper. A group called Corporate Accountability International plans to ask Ronald to retire at the company's annual meeting today. They say Ronald encourages kids to eat junk food, contributing to a rise in childhood obesity and related diseases such as diabetes.

The group, which campaigned against the Joe Camel cigarette mascot in the 1990s and complained about Ronald as a role model at McDonald's annual meeting last year, has stepped up its campaign.

It took out full-page ads yesterday in the Chicago Sun-Times, New York Metro and four other papers to call for his head.

The ads, signed by more than 550 health groups and professionals, carry the headline, "Doctors' Orders: Stop Marketing Junk Food To Kids."

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HANDOUT

▶ Kids from Ronald McDonald House Toronto celebrate McHappy Day yesterday with founder George Cohon, left, Ronald McDonald and figure skater Patrick Chan.

FUN AND GAMES

Slapping on a new twist to toys

The NHL playoffs will be over well before summer is underway, but hockey-mad kids can still get their fix during the warmer months.

Toys and games that offer a new take on street shinny were among those featured during the Hot Toys of Summer event held by the Canadian Toy Association yesterday.

The Slip 'N Slide Water Knee Hockey Rink and SlapSHOTZ, which uses hand-held blades and a soft foam ball, were among the activities offering a modern twist on the traditional game.

Away from the diamond, Triple Hit Baseball from Fisher-Price allows youngsters to test their swing on balls popping out automatically from its base. For those looking to test their acrobatic skills, there were also brightly coloured Spooner Boards on which to try out spins, flips, slides and wobbles.

Laura Wiese of the Canadian Toy Association said the industry will always offer new twists on old classics, which helps bring kids into new areas of play they might not have tried before. And for cost-conscious parents, Wiese said more than 70 per cent of the toys featured yesterday are less than $30.

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New rules on insurance industry worry CEO

Sun Life Financial's CEO says he has serious concerns about widespread regulatory changes proposed for the life insurance industry.

Donald Stewart says those potential regulations, including the second phase of international financial reporting standards and more stringent capital regulations, could have "significant negative unintended consequences."

Proposed stricter capital requirements could be more onerous in a number of jurisdictions, Stewart warned shareholders at the Toronto-based insurer's annual general meeting.

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Designers joining Fay

Tod's Group says the Italian designing duo Tommaso Aquilano and Roberto Rimondi is taking over the women's line at its Fay fashion brand, worn by such stars as Halle Berry and Sandra Bullock.

The pair most recently were designing for Gianfranco Ferré, where they landed in 2008. Ferré has recently been purchased by a Dubai fashion group, which had indicated it was looking for a change.

Aquilano and Rimdoni will present their first collection in September during Milan's Fashion Week for the spring/summer 2012 season.

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Market moment

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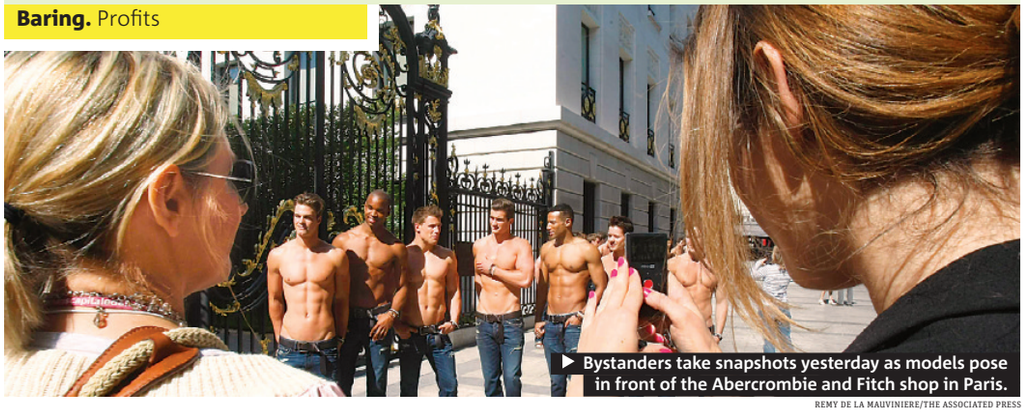

▶ Bystanders take snapshots yesterday as models pose in front of the Abercrombie and Fitch shop in Paris.

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Ab-ercrombie ripped and ready for Paris

Topless male models posed in front of the Abercrombie and Fitch shop on the Champs-Elysées in Paris as part of a promotion for the opening of the U.S. brand's new shop in France. Abercrombie and Fitch Co., known for pricey clothing, said yesterday that international sales helped push it to a first-quarter net income of $25 million US. In last year's first quarter, the company had a loss of $11.8 million.

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KEEP YOUR PANTS ON, IT'S ONLY A RACE

HE SAYS ...

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METRO

If you're looking for a new challenge and have the opportunity to run a marathon, I would definitely, if I were you, run in the other direction as fast as you can.

That's the only running I'll recommend, though.

Before you get any ideas about "healthy living," keep in mind where the marathon originated: According to Greek legend, passed down by generations of Wikipedia writers, Pheidippides (or Dippy, as his friends called him) ran from a battle to faraway Marathon, cleverly keeping his bearings by staying to the right of numerous orange traffic cones.

Powered only by steely determination and Gatorade tables every three kilometres, Dippy ran without stopping because, as classical paintings depicting the event illustrate, he wasn't wearing pants. Arriving in Marathon and conveying his final, brave message to his superiors ("They've taken our pants!"), he collapsed and died.

"So I speak from experience when I say that if you want to run a long race, you should find something more fun to do, such as unnecessary dental surgery."

I can confirm the validity of this Marathon legend, too, because I just ran a half-marathon four days ago and I'm definitely half-dead.

So I speak from experience when I say that if you want to run a long race, you should find something more fun to do, such as unnecessary dental surgery. The Marathon legend actually understates the difficulties, because it leaves out when Pheidippides' skipped beers with his friends on the weekend because he had to train.

My point is that if you take part in a marathon, you are signing up for an event that killed its first participant. It would be like registering for the annual Titanic Ship Race and Iceberg Avoidance Festival.

So I'm begging you not to make the same mistakes I made. I started six years ago, with a full marathon, which is exactly 26 miles, or 7,500 kilometres. It was beyond difficult and only with the finish line in sight did I surge ahead, passing a woman in her late 60s who, judging by her facial expression, may not have been entirely aware she was in a race.

So I finished second-to-last, yet I still enjoyed myself and have been referred to since as The Penultimate Warrior — at least when I'm looking in the mirror and no one else is around.

And therein lies the problem with running. Here I am complaining about it, but I CAN'T STOP. It's a gruelling, painful, sometimes demoralizing experience and, yet, there's something when you're running that tells you it's one of the best things you've ever done.

And if you start, well, I can't be held responsible for what happens. Keep a close watch on your pants.

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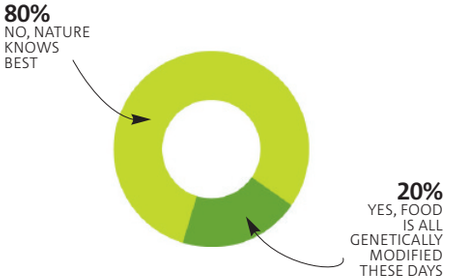

Local tweets

- **@JohnBairdOWN:** Will be sending a note to all DFAIT employees shortly to introduce myself and convey my excitement to work with them. #cndpoli
- **@megancornell:** Could handle cuts to West End buses a bit better if talk was also progressing on train west past greenbelt — lucky OttSouth. #OttCity
- **@SouthMarch:** #Ottawa's own studies show SMH has highest floristic diversity: more rare & sensitive species of plants than in any other area in #OTTcity
- **@colinmills:** Congrats to all the local acts playing @ottawabluesfest this year! Excellent choices! #Ottawa #ottmusic
- **@PureEss:** Ok #Ottawa hang in there ... I just personally confirmed that there still is blue above all this crap, it will come back to us soon I hope
- **@craighunteresq:** Wondering if John Baird will give a war cry before he swears in as the 41st Parliament's Minister of Foreign Affairs. #p41 #cdnpoli

Worth mentioning

SAO PAULO, Brazil. A 114-year-old Brazilian woman is the world's oldest living human, Guinness World Records said yesterday.

Maria Gomes Valentim attributes her longevity to eating a daily roll of bread for breakfast along with fruit — though she indulges in the occasional nip of wine.

Guinness said Valentim, aged 114 years 313 days, is 48 days older than the person previously considered the world's oldest human, Besse Cooper from Monroe, Ga.

Cooper now holds the title of the oldest living North American.

Guinness verified that Valentim was born July 9, 1896, in Carangola in the southeastern state of Minas Gerais, where she has always lived.

Known as Grandma Quita, Valentim's family says she has a stubborn streak and has always made a habit of minding her own business.

Guinness said it has received several claims for potential "super centenarians" — but none before were ratified because of a lack of evidence or documentation. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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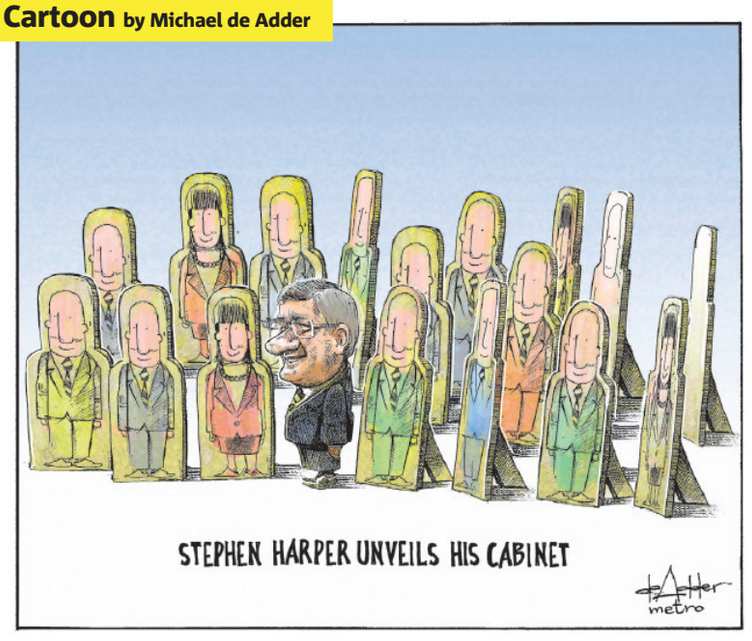

WEIRD NEWS

An artist in sheep's clothing?

An artist known for his large-scale projects says his proposal to put silvery, luminous fabric panels over the Arkansas River won't hurt bighorn sheep.

The panels in Christo's project would span eight sections along a 64-kilometre stretch of the river between Salida, Colo., and Canon City and require drilling anchors. The project is expected to take two years.

Colorado wildlife commissioners voted to send a letter to the U.S. Bureau of Land Management expressing concerns over how the project would affect the sheep, according to the Pueblo Chieftain.

Christo says protecting wildlife and the environment is important and he will address the concerns that were raised.

His ideas have hit resistance before.

The Gates in New York's Central Park was rejected by three city administrations before Christo's friend Michael Bloomberg was elected mayor. The 7,503 fabric panels of The Gates were installed in 2005 under Bloomberg's tenure.

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Bringing talented bands, then mixing them up

Bands involved in Ottawa Rock Lottery have no idea who they will be paired up with Musicians of different genres thrown together

BACKSTAGE PASS

JEN TRAPLIN
METRO OTTAWA

This weekend, some of Ottawa' s best talent will be on display in a very unique way — a rock lottery.

How does it work? There will be a total of 25 musicians playing in the Ottawa Rock Lottery, all from different musical backgrounds and genres. Those 25 will then be divided into five groups of five.

"A lot of them have never met before," says event organizer Samantha Everts. "So, it could be chaotic but that' s part of the charm."

And, Everts says, finding the right blend of bands for the event was a top priority.

"There are some pretty well-established groups, but also some relative unknowns," she said. "It was very important to be as inclusive as possible."

This is the second year Politique singer Mallory Giles will take part in the lottery.

"When I received the invite to participate, I jumped at the opportunity," Giles said.

Event details

What. The Ottawa Rock Lottery takes place Saturday night at Mavericks (221 Rideau St.) There event will also feature spoken word artists, a burlesque performance and cool prizes. Tickets are just $8 at the door but, if you bring a food item to donate to the Ottawa Food Bank, they' ll knock $1 off the price of your ticket.

CONTRIBUTED

▶ The Strain is the youngest band participating in the Ottawa Rock Lottery

The local musician says her past experience with the lottery was refreshing.

"I was exposed to the true essence of all that Ottawa has to offer," Giles says. "It' s a great feeling to learn that there's more out there in this city than just our own little scenes."

The youngest band taking part in the lottery is Wakefield, Que., foursome, The Strain. The band is made up of lead singer David Taggart, his sister Rylee, cousin Alex Serre, and their lifelong friend Nick Johnson.

"We are all very close friends with a passion for music," says David Taggart. "We have fun writing and performing together."

They just released their debut EP, Three Sheets to the Wind — available on iTunes — so the timing of the Ottawa Rock Lottery couldn't be better for them.

"This is a great way to meet other bands and expand my skills and ideas," Taggart says. "I' m not sure what to expect."

2 scene

Scene in brief

Canadian chanteuse Celine Dion gives fans a peek into her home and work life in a new TV special that's set to air next month. Celine: 3 Boys and a New Show is slated for broadcast on OWN: The Oprah Winfrey Network on June 26.

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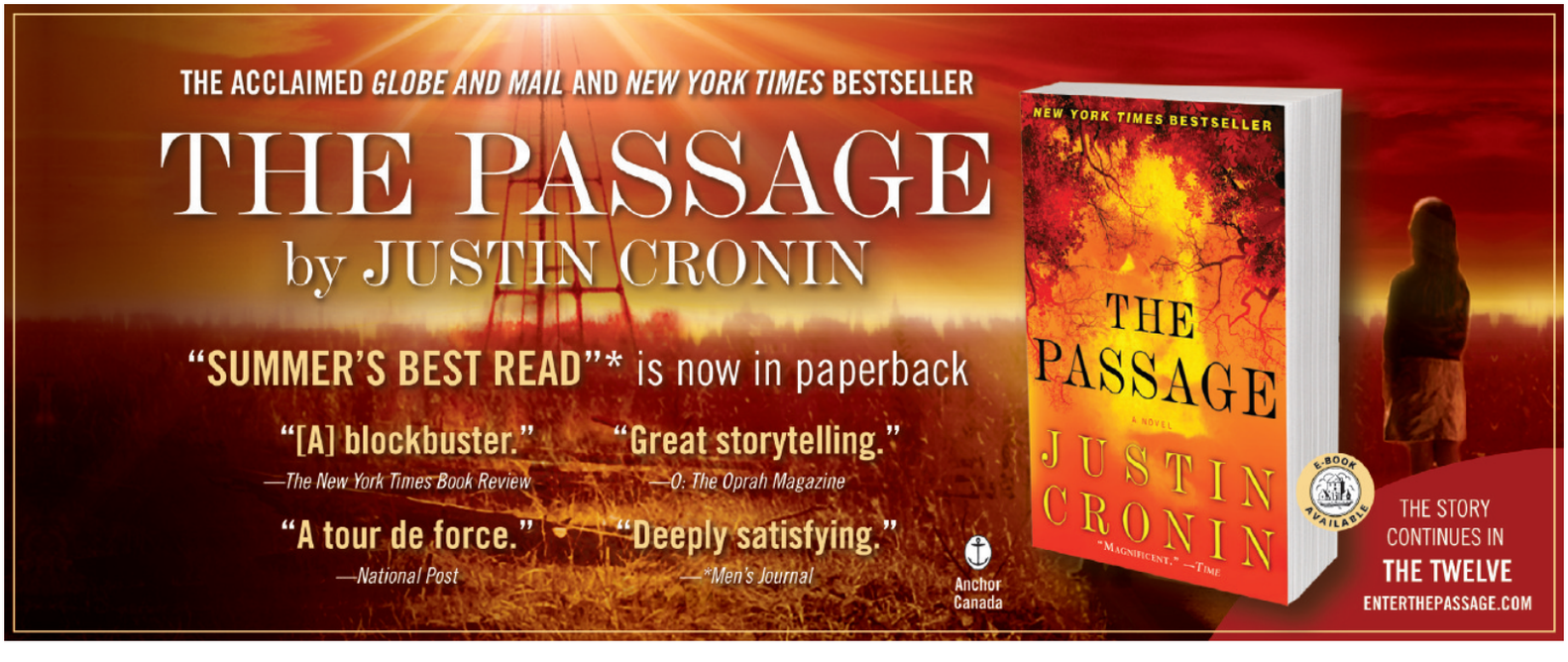

Final farewells

Hollywood's biggest stars, 13,000 fans come to Chicago to say goodbye to Oprah

Oprah Winfrey wiped away tears as celebrity after celebrity surprised her during a farewell double-episode taping of The Oprah Winfrey Show that will precede her finale.

"Thank you is not enough, but thank you," Winfrey told the crowd of 13,000 gathered at Chicago's United Center on Tuesday night for Surprise Oprah! A Farewell Spectacular. "For your love and your support, thank you."

The crowd gave Winfrey a standing ovation when she first walked on the stage. Then the stars came out, with Winfrey's producers making good on their promise of the biggest celebrities of movies, music and television.

Aretha Franklin sang Amazing Grace. Tom Hanks acted as host for the evening. Michael Jordan, who led the Chicago Bulls to six NBA championships during the 1990s, told Winfrey she inspires him.

Tom Cruise, famous for his couch jumping on Winfrey's show, was there. Jerry Seinfeld wore a tuxedo to give a comedy routine. And Madonna said she is among the millions of people who are inspired by Winfrey.

"It really does amaze me that I get to be around a woman who changes people's lives every day and who also takes her own lunch to work."
STEDMAN GRAHAM, OPRAH WINFREY LONGTIME PARTNER

"She fights for things she believes in, even if it makes her unpopular," Madonna said.

Winfrey announced in November 2009 that she would end her popular talk show after 25 years. Tuesday's taping will air May 23 and 24, before Winfrey's final show on May 25.

"You always had the power, and that is the message you brought into our lives," Cruise told Winfrey.

The show highlighted Winfrey's charity efforts over the years. About 300 Morehouse College scholarship students walked along the United Center aisles as Kristen Chenoweth sang For Good from the musical Wicked. Grammy winner John Legend was beamed in from a New Orleans school and Winfrey's book club was lauded for getting millions to read.

Josh Groban and Patti LaBelle sang Somewhere Over the Rainbow as Winfrey sat in a white chair onstage.

Jamie Foxx and Stevie Wonder sang Isn't She Lovely to Winfrey. Wonder followed with his own song, singing to her, "Oprah thank you for using your gifts to uplift so many hearts."

Simon Cowell made an appearance; Rosie O'Donnell sang a Broadway-style song. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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▶ Madonna, right, hugs Oprah Winfrey as she appears during a star-studded double-taping of Surprise Oprah! A Farewell Spectacular.

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More stars galore

- The taping of the second show began with Will Smith and his wife, Jada Pinkett Smith, who thanked Winfrey and told her she mothered millions and "that puts you in the status of a goddess."
- Actresses Halle Berry, Queen Latifah, Katie Holmes and Dakota Fanning all appeared, along with newswoman Diane Sawyer.
- Beyonce sang her song Run the World (Girls) backed by dozens of dancers.
- "Oprah Winfrey, because of you women everywhere have graduated to a new level of understanding of who we are, of what we are and most of all who we can be," Beyonce said.

'I've got to do something different': Baldwin

In a recent episode of 30 Rock, Alec Baldwin's character, Jack Donaghy, went through a kind of midlife crises, splitting into four alternate versions of his self.

One, "sideways Jack," chastised Donaghy for allowing an intended six-month stop in TV to turn into five years, leaving him stalled and no longer a "shark."

"You don't even know what a shark is anymore!" exclaimed the alternate Donaghy.

The episode played artfully with Baldwin's own career ambitions, which didn't include sitcom stardom until Tina Fey's 30 Rock came along.

Now, though, Baldwin is contemplating his exit from 30 Rock. He has one season left on his contract with NBC and has said he will leave at that point.

"That's pretty much all I think about right now," said Baldwin in a recent interview.

"To finish the show, I'm going to do this year then start thinking about what I want to do next. It's the big question. It's been a great experience, and I've loved doing the show. It changed my life. I'll never have it this good again, I know that. But I know that I've got to do something different, try something different. I don't know what that's going to be."

This summer, Baldwin will be shooting Woody Allen's next film, to be shot in Rome, as well as the big screen adaptation of the Broadway musical Rock of Ages and the indie drama Hick. Though Baldwin, 53, worked primarily in movies before 30 Rock and has since worked in such films as 2009's It's Complicated, he says he won't necessarily return to that path.

"When I go back into the world to go to work, I don't know how likely I would be to (make movies). This is something I can't answer now," says Baldwin.

"But if I want to do something after that, I don't know if that would be another series on television — I doubt I would do that. Just to go to work, maybe I would do films again. But it's difficult because films are hard."
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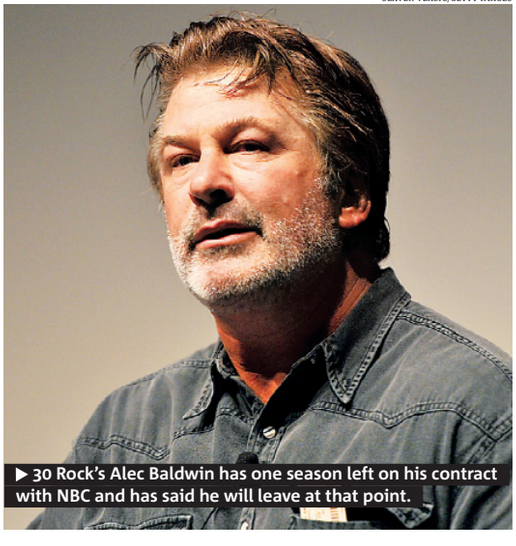

▶ 30 Rock's Alec Baldwin has one season left on his contract with NBC and has said he will leave at that point.

No politics

- Alec Baldwin has an interest in politics and regularly blogs for the Huffington Post. But because the top New York State offices are safe Democratic seats, he doesn't want to run for office in his home state.
- "It would be easier for me to run if I moved — California or Connecticut or somewhere. And I'm not prepared to do that right now," he says.

Brown rakes in BET Award nominations

R&B singer gets six nods, while rapper Lil Wayne earns five of his own

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▶ Chris Brown leads the pack with six BET Award nominations.

Last year at the BET Awards, Chris Brown performed an emotional tribute to Michael Jackson. It marked the beginning of a comeback for the embattled pop star.

This year, Brown is the top contender at the award show with six nominations.

Brown is up for best male R&B artist, viewer' s choice and video of the year for Look at Me Now. He's nominated twice in the best collaboration category for his No. 1 R&B hits Deuces, featuring Tyga and Kevin McCall, and Look at Me Now, with Busta Rhymes and Lil Wayne. Brown is also nominated for best actor for his role in the heist thriller Takers.

Lil Wayne follows Brown with five nominations. Three of Lil Wayne' s nominations come from his guest appearance on Brown' s Look at me Now; Lil Wayne is also up for best male hip-hop artist and viewer' s choice for 6 Foot 7 Foot.

Kanye West, Drake and Rihanna are up for four awards each.

Other nominees for video of the year include Willow Smith' s Whip My Hair, West' s Runaway, B.o.B' s Airplanes, Keri Hilson' s Pretty Girl Rock and Marsha Ambrosius' Far Away. Willow is also up for best new artist and the YoungStars award. Nicki Minaj, Bruno Mars, Trey Songz, Cee Lo Green and B.o.B also received multiple nominations. Alicia Keys will perform and co-median Kevin Hart will host the award show. It airs live on June 26 from the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Green says he has no plans of leaving his band Alexisonfire

CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

▶ Dallas Green

Dallas Green says that despite his burgeoning solo career, he still sees himself returning to sing for Alexisonfire eventually.

"Yeah, I mean, that's kind of always how we've been," Green said Tuesday during an interview.

"(It's) just sort of back and forth, and we all take breaks and do our own thing, and sort of revisit (Alexisonfire). And as long as the ideas are there, then we'll continue, you know?"

Green is set to release Little Hell — his third album under the name City and Colour — on June 7.

Each of his first two solo records were certified platinum in Canada, and Green now appears poised for an international breakthrough as well. He just recently headlined a gig at London's storied Royal Albert Hall and has been included in the lineup for several major U.S. summer festivals, including Lollapalooza, Austin City Limits and the Sasquatch Festival.

Alexisonfire's last album was 2009's gold-selling Old Crows/Young Cardinals.

Green says he's still committed to continuing to sing for Alexisonfire, but does he foresee a time when he'll have to put the project aside to focus on his solo work?

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Combat Hospital set to debut in June

Combat Hospital, a TV drama inspired by a medical unit in Afghanistan, is set to launch June 21 on Global.

The network's summer lineup, announced yesterday, also includes the return of the Toronto-set cop show Rookie Blue on June 23, an encore presentation of The Kennedys miniseries on July 4 and the launch of the new reality series Canada Sings on Aug. 10.

Combat Hospital, formerly called The Hot Zone, tells stories of doctors and nurses from Canada, the U.S. and the U.K., and stars Elias Koteas (The Curious Case of Benjamin Button) and Michelle Borth (Hawaii Five-0). It's currently shooting in Toronto.

Canada Sings pits workplace glee clubs against one another and features a judging panel that includes singer Jann Arden, Pierre Bouvier of Simple Plan and Rob Van Winkle, also known as Vanilla Ice.

Global's lineup also features the return of Wipeout on June 21 and a new season of Big Brother beginning July 7.

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▶ Ty Pennington is the host of Extreme Makeover: Home Edition, which will air Fridays on ABC next season.

'Big swings' in store for ABC next season

Network introducing 13 new series

Fairy tale figures, 1960s era stewardesses and men who dress up as women to get a job are featured in 13 new television series that ABC is introducing next season, along with proven performers Tim Allen and Charlie's Angels.

With familiar hits like Grey's Anatomy and Desperate Housewives aging, new ABC Entertainment President Paul Lee said he looked for a mix of ambition and comfort in the first new season schedule he presented to advertisers on Tuesday.

"I think we have a lot of big swings," Lee said.

Sunday may be his boldest step. Lee shifted Extreme Makeover: Home Edition to Fridays to present three dramas that all inhabit unique worlds. Two are new and Desperate Housewives is returning.

Once Upon a Time will draw comparisons to Lost with its mixture of real and imaginary worlds, and is from two producers who worked on that series. The new one is based on a 10-year-old boy who believes his mother is Snow White and Prince Charming's missing daughter.

Pan Am evokes Mad Men as a sexy throwback to the 1960s, with stewardesses and pilots replacing ad executives.

ABC is looking to Allen to open a new night of comedy on Tuesdays. The former Home Improvement star hawks sporting goods this time instead of tools, but in Last Man Standing he struggles for his footing in a home full of women with his wife and three daughters.

The Dancing With the Stars results show will air on Tuesdays, but between cycles of that competition ABC will air four comedies on Tuesday evenings.

They will include the existing Cougar Town, which won't reappear until midseason.

Two men who dress up as women to get jobs as pharmaceutical reps are the focus of the comedy Work It, which doesn't appear until midseason. Lee called the rock-'em, sock-'em action "pure candy."

The remake of Charlie's Angels is scheduled for Thursday nights, with Minka Kelly, Rachael Taylor and Annie Ilonzeh as the stars.

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Mother of Arnold's love child revealed

Housekeeper believed to be his other woman **Kid could be a teenager**

The former employee who had a child with Arnold Schwarzenegger has reportedly been identified as housekeeper Mildred Baena, according to Radar Online and Star magazine.

"She's the one," a source confirms.

Baena reportedly worked for Schwarzenegger and estranged wife Maria Shriver for 20 years before retiring in January.

The child in question is believed to be around 14 years old. Schwarzenegger's youngest child with Shriver is 13.

Arnold and Shriver recently announced their divorce.

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▶ Arnold Schwarzenegger

▶ Leonardo DiCaprio

Leo already moving on

Leonardo DiCaprio may already be moving on from Bar Refaeli with his potential Great Gatsby co-star, Blake Lively, according to Hollyscoop.

DiCaprio entertained Lively — along with Steven Spielberg and Lukas Haas — aboard a private yacht off the coast of Cannes, and the two looked very chummy in photographs of the get-together.

The pair have also been spotted out together several times in the last few weeks.

Lively previously dated her Gossip Girl co-star, Penn Badgely, though the pair split after a rocky road last year.

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Talking points

Chaz Bono defends Mom on his decision

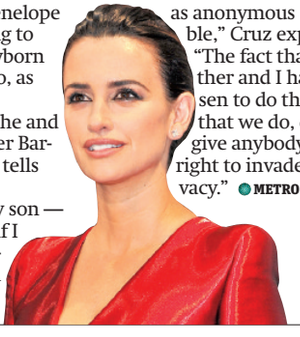
NOT QUITE THE SAME AS LEBRON'S DECISION Chaz Bono understands his mom Cher's reluctance to accept his decision to undergo sexual reassignment surgery, he tells Popeater.

"I think she was surprised. I think she didn't expect people to be able to handle it as well as they have," Bono says. "I really thought that we had come farther than I think my mom did. I think that's probably just a generational thing." METRO

Penelope Cruz wants to hide son from press

UGLY BABY? Penelope Cruz is hoping to keep her newborn son, Leonardo, as far from the limelight as she and husband Javier Bardem can, she tells Vogue.

"I want my son — and my kids if I have more — to grow up in a way that is as anonymous as possible," Cruz explains. "The fact that his father and I have chosen to do the work that we do, doesn't give anybody the right to invade our privacy." METRO



Celebrity tweets

"Cannes :) so peaceful here! Beautiful and chill. Gonna work now though.. And Later the premier of Jodie Fosters new film "

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"some days you feel like s---, some days you want to quit and just be normal for a bit, yet i love my family till death do us apart."

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"Spanish Conquistadors have just claimed my lawn for Spain. Though haven't worn this chest plate in ages, THIS WILL NOT STAND."

3 life

Beauty pick

Lip balms that won't stick

It's officially time to swap out the sticky lip glosses for lighter lip treatments that won't melt on the beach. Fresh's lip balm gives the most subtle wash of color along with natural, hydrating ingredients. KENYA HUNT

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Sugar Honey Tinted Lip Treatment
$23, sephora.com

Fashion designers often live the jet-set life they love to mimic on their runways.

Mastering tonal dressing

Shake things up for summer by ditching the black and experimenting with lighter, summery neutrals instead. Here's how.

An outfit of head-to-toe black may be practical for city living, but it can also be a predictable snore. If you're prone to monochromatic dressing, try changing up the shade for a little variety.

This tonal look that we spotted on Isabella Viscam is a light and fresh take on the urban uniform. The key to pulling this off is playing with the subtle varietes in shades of tan and beige. KENYA HUNT

Remix her style

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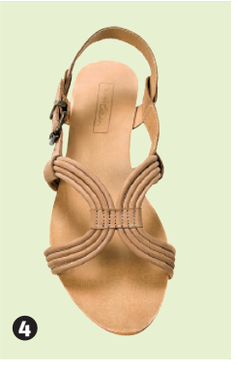
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- Ramp up the sex factor and give the girls the eye in some of the season's hottest frames
- Here's our run-down of this summer's must-have sunglasses. RICHARD PECKETT

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Whether you're by the beach or on a city break, this summer is the season to sex it up with these oversize frames from Persol.
$338, my-wardrobe.com

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Add some glamour to your jean-and-Tee combo with these dapper, vintage-inspired, tortoise-hell sunglasses.
$28, topman.com

3 URBAN OUTFITTERS

These quirky yet classic, half frame glasses are The Look to have for any wannabe suave sophisticate.
US Mass wayfarer, $18, UK half frame, urbanoutfitters.com

4 RAY-BAN AVIATORS

Glastonbury, Sonar, Burning Man – yes, the festival season is upon us. Ray-Ban's gigolo style, gold-framed eye wear is an outdoor concert classic.
$175, mrporter.com

5 CUTLER & GROSS 0736

The skinny-rimmed circular sunnies once synonymous with John Lennon are now rid of the spindly wire frames and revamped in chunky tortoiseshell.
$450, cutlerandgross.com

Men's grooming

Sealed lips

Feeling parched? Malin & Goetz's lip moisturizer features an intimidating sounding hydrogenated polyisobutene fatty acid hydration technology that does a really nice job of hydrating thirsty lips. Best of all chaps, this neat little tube of shine-free, scentless cream won't be mistaken for your girlfriend's lipgloss.

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$12, malinandgoetz.com

Makes scents

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Host a perfect pool party

This summer beat the heat with a poolside fete that's sure to impress Entertaining expert Edward Lent shows you how to throw a sophisticated soiree

Ah, summer, the best time of year to entertain. As long as the weather is on your side, poolside mixers are the way to go.

They're a great opportunity to enjoy the outdoors, and cleanup is a breeze. Whether at your folks' or friends' place, on your condo's rooftop or in your own backyard, a pool party is sure to be a happy addition to your summer calendar.

The key is to create a casual vibe — we're not just talking bikinis and beach balls here. A menu of mini-apps and refreshing drinks served on bar-height tables will create a relaxed atmosphere and encourage guests to mix and mingle.

It's also a good idea to keep the food options varied: Offer a mixture of lighter items, such as antipasti or salads, alongside more substantial dishes like mini-burgers or maple-Dijon scallops so that guests can decide for themselves when and how much they'd like to eat.

Bite-size appetizers will entice guests to branch out and try something new.

When it comes to drinks, fruity cocktails are a poolside must, of course, but be sure to provide your guests with plenty of non-alcoholic beverages as well so they stay hydrated in the summer sun.

The menu

For cocktails, serve margaritas, martinis and pear-vodka snow cones. For hors d'oeuvres, offer blue cheese burgers, individual Caesar salads served in Parmesan baskets, Asian lettuce wraps, maple-Dijon scallops, feta and watermelon skewers, and provolone-stuffed sun-dried tomatoes. And for dessert, try cherries jubilee.

Ed's drink tips

• Repurpose your existing outdoor accessories as ice buckets to keep bottled water, wine and beer cold and accessible to your guests. Planters, a fountain, an outdoor fireplace or a wheelbarrow are all fair game. Be creative and think outside the bucket!

• Set up themed drink stations, each stocked with a different beverage. Offer a selection of wines at one, frozen drinks at another and pitchers of martinis and/or non-alcoholic punch at another. Your guests will stay refreshed — and out of the kitchen.

Lights, planters, action!

So you've secured the pool and that's half the battle. But don't stop there. With a few simple decor ideas, you'll find yourself in a sophisticated backyard oasis.

First step: Stash the noodles and inner tubes in the shed and turn your pool into an instant water feature using sprinklers. Their spray will sparkle in the sunshine, create interesting patterns in the pool's water and fill the air with the soothing sounds of a fountain.

While you're cleaning up the pool toys, put away the patio furniture and replace it with some cocktail tables. No need to buy anything new: Chances are you already have everything you need. Tall planters make great table bases.

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10 ways to celebrate Victoria Day

KELLY PUTTER
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Canadians love the Victoria Day Weekend and no wonder. It's the unofficial start to summer, which has been a long time coming this year. The holiday weekend offers an exciting and diverse line-up of things to amuse both young and old. Don your shorts and sunglasses… and let's get started.

Chinatown Remixed
Enjoy food, culture and art on Somerset St. West where this month-long festival includes art exhibitions, street performances, live music, chalk drawings and fare from participating restaurants. The festival runs until June 15. For more information about the festival's events and exhibits, call 613-230-4707.
chinatownremixed.ca

The Currency Museum of the Bank of Canada
Learn how to determine real money from phony at this youth-oriented exhibit, The Good, the Bad and the Fake. The comic-strip style exhibit shows how to use the security features on Canadian money to identify fake bills. For hours and ticket prices, call 613-782-8914.
currencymuseum.ca

ByWard Market
Visit Ottawa's No. 1 tourist attraction, which is home to a farmer's market and more than 260 artisans, restaurants, boutiques, galleries, cafes and museums.
byward-market.com

National Arts Centre
i think i can uses tap, hip hop and percussive sound to tell the story of a physically challenged young man who overcomes bullying and aggression. On until May 28, this high-energy show is performed by many of Canada's top dancers. Suitable for families and children over eight. For tickets call 888-991-2787.
nac-cna.ca

Hull-Chelsea-Wakefield Stream Train
Hop aboard Canada's oldest operating steam train for a half-day scenic journey along Gatineau River to the village of Wakefield. On-board tour guides and musicians share the history of western Quebec's Outaouais region. Try dinner or brunch on the train. For tickets and prices call 800-871-7246.
steamtrain.ca

Canada Museum of Civilization
An unforgettable tale of exploration, discovery and human drama unfold in the exhibit, Expedition: Arctic, which chronicles the story of Canada's Arctic expedition from 1913 to 1918. For tickets call 819-776-7000.
civilization.ca

Parliament Hill
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parl.gc.ca/Visitors

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raysreptiles.com

Pirates Adventures
Pirates Adventures Ahoy! This interactive pirate theatre company takes kids of all ages into Mooney's Bay on a 50-foot pirate ship to fight evil pirates and search for a missing treasure, starting May 21.
pirateadventures.ca

Metro's pick

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▶ Celebrate Victoria Day with a petting zoo, buskers and midway rides.

Food, fun and music

Victoria Day Festival
Queen Juliana Park is where the city celebrates Queen Victoria with midway rides, a petting zoo, buskers, live musical performances and lot of food and drink. The festival wraps up with a fireworks show on May 23. Festival and fireworks are free.

For more information, call 613-567-4532.
victoriadayfestival.com

Light the night sky — safely

The safest way to enjoy fireworks this May 24th weekend is to enjoy a public fireworks show. At the same time, "we know people are going to deal with fireworks and we want to make sure they're doing so safely," says Valerie Powell, a spokesperson for the Canada Safety Council.

"From a safety perspective, we recommend people not discharge fireworks at home, but we know not everybody will adhere to that."

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If you do decide to have your own fireworks display, here are some safety tips:

- Don't smoke near fireworks.
- Set up your display in an open, level space away from spectators (check that the wind is blowing away from spectators).
- Ensure that you have a bucket of water, a pail of sand and a fire extinguisher with you, as well as a cellphone in case you need to call 911.
- Don't give sparklers to children under eight. Sparklers burn extremely hot and are usually shaken or moved around a lot, so the potential for burns and accidents is greater.

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▶ A public fireworks show is the safest way to go.

Victoria Day

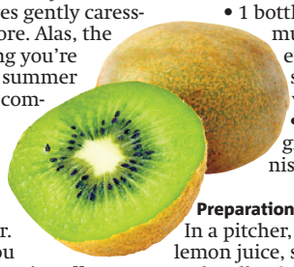
Where to see fireworks this weekend:

- **Queen Juliana Park:** May 23, Carlton Avenue and Preston Street, at dusk

▶ To make a Pear-Poire, you will need a small ripe pear.

Mix up some summer fun

Picture this: Sandy beaches, the bluest sky and ocean waves gently caressing the shore. Alas, the only surfing you're doing this summer involves a computer and an ergonomically incorrect office chair. Luckily, you don't have to jet off to Tahiti to unwind. Stir up these simple recipes for four delish drinks that will have you cha-cha-cha-ing the night away with your honey before you can say "Copacabana."



Pear-Poire

Ingredients:
- 6 parts pear-flavoured vodka
- 1 part fresh lemon juice
- 2 tsp sugar
- 1 small ripe pear, peeled, cored and cut into 1/4-inch slices
- 1 bottle sparkling muscat (or other sweet sparkling wine)
- Crystallized ginger for garnish

Preparation:
In a pitcher, combine the lemon juice, sugar, pear and vodka. Stir well to combine, until sugar is dissolved. Pour into six champagne flutes. Fill each glass with muscat and garnish with crystallized ginger.

Mango and Passionfruit Daiquiri

Ingredients:
- 1 oz. white or coconut-flavoured rum
- 15 mL (1/2 oz.) mango purée (or half a ripe mango)
- 15 mL (1/2 oz.) passionfruit purée (or strained passionfruit flesh)
- 15 mL (1/2 oz.) fresh lime juice
- Sugar to taste

Preparation:
Mix all ingredients together in a shaker. Fill with cubed and crushed ice; shake vigorously until chilled. Double-strain into a chilled cocktail glass. Garnish with a slice of ripe mango and half a passionfruit.

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Watermelon Jalapeno Mojito

Ingredients:
- 45 mL (1 1/2 oz.) rum
- 2 tsp sugar
- 60 mL (2 oz.) fresh watermelon juice (or 1 chunk of watermelon, muddled)
- 1/2 lime, cut into 8 small pieces
- 12 fresh mint leaves
- 1/4 jalapeno, sliced and seeds removed

Preparation:
Drop jalapeno and lime into glass. Muddle with mint leaves. Cover with sugar; top with ice. Add rum and top with watermelon juice. Stir well and garnish with a mint, jalapeno slice and watermelon slice.

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An adventurous take on steak

These marinated Steak Strips with Gorgonzola Sauce take 20 minutes to prep and just six minutes to grill

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▶ The Gorgonzola cheese sauce is the perfect topping for this tender meat.

These steak strips are one of more than 200 recipes for adventurous grillers in Weber's Time to Grill. The recipes are created to save time without sacrificing an ounce of flavour.

Preparation:

1. In a large glass baking dish combine the marinade ingredients. Whisk to dissolve the tomato paste. Submerge the steaks in the marinade. Cover and refrigerate for 2 to 4 hours. Prepare the grill for direct cooking over high heat (450° to 550°F).
2. Lift the steaks from the dish and pat dry with paper towels. Discard the marinade. Lightly brush the steaks with oil and season evenly with salt and pepper. Allow to stand at room temperature for 15 to 30 minutes before grilling. Meanwhile, make the sauce.
3. In a medium saucepan over medium heat, melt the butter. Add the shallot and cook until tender, about 2 minutes, stirring often. Mix in the sour cream and cheese and cook until the sauce begins to simmer and the cheese has melted, about 3 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove from the heat, add ¼ tsp pepper, and cover to keep warm.
4. Brush the cooking grates clean. Grill the steaks over direct high heat, with the lid closed as much as possible, until cooked to your desired doneness, 6 to 8 minutes for medium rare, turning once or twice (if flare–ups occur, move steaks temporarily over indirect heat). Remove from the grill and let rest for 3 to 5 minutes. Serve warm with the sauce. Garnish with chives, if desired.

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Ingredients:

Marinade
- 2 cups beef broth
- 1 cup dry red wine
- 1 medium yellow onion, finely chopped
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 4 New York strip steaks, each 10 to 12 ounces and about 1 inch thick, trimmed of excess fat
- Extra–virgin olive oil
- Kosher salt
- Ground black pepper

Sauce
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 2 tablespoons minced shallot
- 1 cup sour cream
- 4 ounces crumbled Gorgonzola cheese (1 cup)
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh chives (optional)

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▶ This simple rice pilaf serves four.

Rice pilaf doesn't have to come from a box

Make this simple dish using basmati rice, cranberries and almonds

Most people know rice pilaf as a side dish that comes from a box. But it can be so much more.

This speedy recipe for cranberry almond rice pilaf can be on the table in about 25 minutes.

Don't like almonds? Use chopped cashews or pistachios. Dried currants, cherries or golden raisins can sub in for cranberries.

And while we keep the seasonings simple with just a bit of cinnamon, cumin and black pepper, feel free to take this in any direction you like.

Preparation:

1. In saucepan over high heat, combine rice, orzo and broth. Bring to boil, cover, reduce heat to simmer and cook for 10 minutes. Once rice has cooked, quickly stir in cranberries, then cover and set aside for another 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.
2. While rice and cranberries sit off the heat, prepare the rest of the pilaf. In a large skillet over medium heat, melt butter. Add cinnamon, ground cumin and 1 ml (1/4 tsp) black pepper, then cook for 30 seconds. Add onion and sauté until it begins to soften, about 4 minutes. Add sliced almonds and grated carrots, then cook for another 2 minutes.
3. Add rice and cranberries to skillet; toss well. Season with salt and pepper, then mix in chopped scallions. Serve immediately.

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Ingredients:
- 250 ml (1 cup) basmati rice
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) orzo pasta
- 675 ml (2 3/4 cups) chicken broth
- 75 ml (1/3 cup) dried cranberries
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) butter
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) cinnamon
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) cumin
- Ground black pepper
- 1 yellow onion, diced
- 75 ml (1/3 cup) almonds
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) carrots
- Salt, to taste
- 2 scallions, chopped

Have some dipping fun

Preparation:

1. Heat a grill to medium high.
2. **Chipotle Ketchup**: In small bowl, stir minced chipotle, adobo sauce, ketchup and paprika.
3. **Citrus Mustard**: In bowl, stir together mustard, mayonnaise, both zests, black pepper, honey and vinegar.
4. **Pimento Cheese Relish**: In small bowl, blend mayonnaise with cream cheese and cheddar until smooth. Stir in Worcestershire sauce, relish, pimento and hot sauce.
5. **Hot Dogs**: Divide dough into 8 pieces. Roll each piece into a snake 60 cm (24 inches) long. Wrap each hot dog with one of the lengths of dough, spiralling dough around length of meat. Place wrapped dogs on tray. Using pastry brush, coat wrapped dogs with bit of oil.
6. Grill 15 minutes, turning every few minutes, until golden brown on all sides. Serve with the condiments in small cups for dipping.

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Ingredients:

Chipotle Ketchup
- 1 chipotle pepper in adobo sauce, minced
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) adobo sauce
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) ketchup
- 5 ml (1 tsp) smoked paprika

Citrus Mustard
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) brown mustard
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) mayo
- Zest of 1/2 lemon
- Zest of 1/2 orange
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) ground black pepper
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) honey
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) balsamic vinegar

Pimento Cheese Relish
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) mayo
- 125 g (4 oz) cream cheese
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) finely grated cheddar cheese
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) Worcestershire sauce
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) sweet pickle relish
- 1 jar (114 ml/4 oz) chopped pimento, drained
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Hot Dogs
- 625 g (1 1/4 lb) refrigerated pizza dough
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- 15 ml (1 tbsp) vegetable oil

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All over the city there are exciting functions to help you expand your palette and knowledge of food, wine and culture. Here are three events that you might not have heard of:

1

To fulfil a craving for a tall Montreal smoked meat sandwich with cole slaw or sauerkraut, head to the newly opened Nate's Deli Family Kitchen, 1545 Merivale Rd. Open Mondays – Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sundays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

2

Basilicata Winemakers Dinner The Divino Wine Studio, 225 Preston St., presents a wine dinner with the owner and winemaker of the Cantine Madonna delle Grazie winery on Thursday May, 26.
divinowinestudio.com

3

The Great Canadian Cheese Festival brings together the country's leading cheese makers from coast-to-coast this June 3-5 in Picton, Prince Edward County. Don't miss the seminars and demonstrations with cheese makers.
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▶ Smoked meat is back! Leaving retirement Dave Smith (partnered with Scott Singer) has opened a new Nate's Deli Family Kitchen on Merivale Road.

The Curd on the Street

What do you get when you cross a buffalo with a sheep? Answer: not a Shuffalo, but Finchthaler, Ottawa's newest cheese scene addition by Canreg Station Farm and Pasture Dairy. My cheese pick this week is a welcome treat, named for the style of cheese (after famous Emmentaler, or popular North American "Swiss") and its native home in the village of Finch, Ontario.

Finchthaler is a unique, raw, mixed sheep and buffalo milk cheese. A rich terracotta rind covers a deep yellow open paste completely covered in small eyes (pinholes). Enjoy sweet and fruity aromas with rich, tangy, nutty and buttery flavours that linger unexpectedly on your palate (a characteristic of raw milk cheeses). Beautifully golden and crusty when broiled, make it your next "au gratin" topping or melt it on BBQ burgers!

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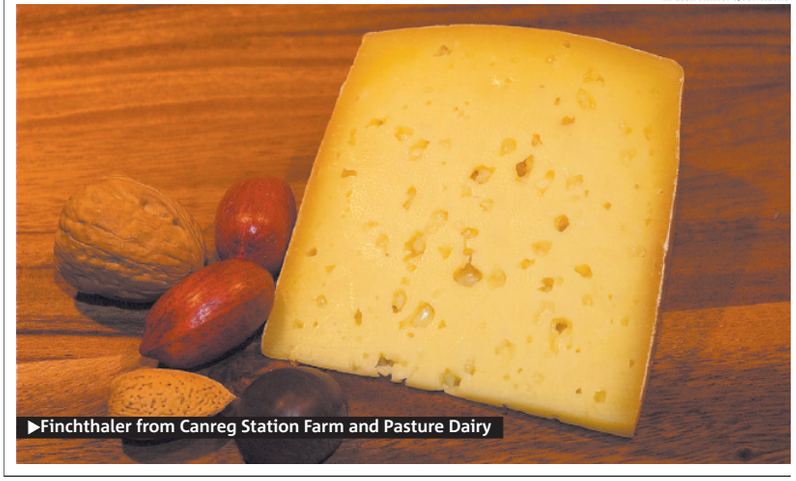

▶Finchthaler from Canreg Station Farm and Pasture Dairy

Ottawa's Latest Lager

Named after the artificially-created waterfalls on the Rideau River, HogsBack Brewing Company is still looking for a local home to brew HogsBack Vintage Lager Owned and operated by four beer-loving guys

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Of the many Ottawa stories that begin with, "It all started over a beer," theirs has to be one of the most interesting. When old friends – Frank, Jerry, Mark and Paige – were enjoying some pints after work, they saw the happiness that the patrons in a local brewpub were enjoying and their conversation wandered into the "we could do this" territory. Deciding to go into the Craft Beer business is step one, and where most stories end. But these longtime co-workers did their due diligence. Long hours of researching beer styles, financial models, glassware, distribution and logistics all came before they even began to delve into local history to find a name and image that's recognizable and represents the region and their beer well. One of the guys brought in a picture of a prize-winning hog, which led them to the name "HogsBack" after the area's beautiful Hog's Back Falls. Their research led to Ottawa's first permanent settler Philemon Wright and his entrepreneurial spirit as a role model for the long road ahead - not just for overcoming a silly name, but also for rising to every challenge that came his way.

So after more than a year the boys are still contract brewing out of the Cool Beer Brewery in Toronto and searching for a home. HogsBack Vintage Lager is available at more than 40 establishments in and around the Ottawa area, the LCBO, and is proudly pouring at the Canadian Tulip Festival. The guys are not rushing into things. Slow and steady is perfect for enjoying a pint.

The beer is a golden honey colour with a firm white head. A nose of grainy cereals and grass with hints of sweet malts compliments a well carbonated flavourful and accessible lager taste that is slightly creamy - nicely balancing caramel malts and a slightly dry hop bitter finish. Delicious.

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▶ Jeff O'Reilly and HogsBack Brewing Company owner/partner Paige Cutland enjoying a pint at the Canadian Tulip Festival.

It's Getting Hot in Here

A healthy way to cool down this summer Icicle Treats has two bike vendors working local events

It's getting hot out but before you reach for the sugar-loaded ice-cream drumstick, try a healthier and way more delicious option that will actually come to you. Ottawa's Icicle Treats offer home-made popsicles from the freshest, highest quality ingredients (using organic and local as much as possible). With more than 20 tasty original flavours, like peach-basil, champagne-raspberry, blueberry-lemonade, mango-ginger and watermelon-lime, there's something refreshing for each family member. You can find Icicle Treats in the market and at various festivals around the city this summer.

SAMANTHA EVERTS

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▶ Erin Ward on the Icicle Tricycle, selling artisan popsicles and ice cream novelties.

A room fit for a Teenager

Spending selectively now may just carry your child through the college years and beyond, says design guru Nate Berkus.

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▶ Wall art is huge to many teens — a poster of a favourite sports star or horror movie. How about a collection of colourful album covers from the '60s or framed memorabilia such as photos of friends and family?

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▶ In addition to walls, linens can add a blast of colour and texture. "It makes sense to let them pick," Nate Berkus said. "They have a shelf life. They can only handle so many washes. Thematic is fine."

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▶ Consider some overstuffed armchairs for reading and for creating a hangout-study nook worthy of having friends over

That cute duckie wallpaper or nautical furniture set were great for your child's baby years and just barely tolerable through elementary school, but a bedroom makeover is hard to get around when a child heads for the tumultuous teens.

Consider the four Cs — classic, comfort, cool and colour — when providing older kids with long-lasting lairs, er, lovely hangout-study spaces. And keep in mind a transformation doesn't have to mean tossing everything and buying all new.

Making a teen a partner in the redesign can be fun and fruitful, said Jennifer Adams Meyers, an interior and home products designer in Scottsdale, Ariz. "Let them have complete leeway. It gives them the motivation to keep it clean and organized."

Furnishings

A completely new set of furniture is probably not necessary, but a few items might be — a bigger bed, for instance.

Bedside tables can be painted rather than tossed — and even double as desks, said Meyers. A lamp can be made new with a funky new fabric shade, and many home improvement stores carry beaded chandeliers in a variety of colours.

Colour

There's no better way to let a tween or teen take control of their space than putting them in charge of palette, but be prepared to accept whatever crazy colour scheme they come up with.

Meyers suggested vinyl wall decals with quotes or special words ("Peace" or "Happiness") as a way for a teen to personalize the room.

Closets, shelves and containers

Big kids may be more attached than you think but too embarrassed to say that they'd like to display some of their growing-up stuff.

In the new room, that baby chair collecting dust in the corner might be more palatable with fresh paint covering the bears or ducks. The piece is saved but the nerd quotient diminished.

You know all those baskets and containers that caught the toys and baby books? Replace them with vertical book storage, graduating storage boxes than can be piled into a pyramid, or collapsible crates with handles that come in fun teen patterns and colours.

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Mirror, mirror

Don't forget to mount a full-length mirror on the back of a closet door, says Nate Berkus.

▶ It's a cheap, easy way to more quickly extract a teen girl from a bathroom.

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Top designers revive Lucite

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▶ The Leather Wrap Slab Desk designed by Coffinier Ku Design using Lucite.

Ultimately sleek and modern, the acrylic — in name and sensibility — has travelled far from the '50s

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▶ The Lucite Cube Chair by Saxum Design.

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▶ The King George Bench designed using Lucite.

Her friends' Lucite-and-white kitchens were far more inviting than the outdated, psychedelic wallpaper and avocado-coloured appliances that greeted Jeannine Anckaitis at home during the late '80s.

"It was the absence of colour that looked so clean, fresh and bright," she said.

"They were clutter-free and seemed upscale. Our kitchen, on the other hand, seemed garish and was overwhelming to the eye."

It's been more than 75 years since rival chemical companies came up with a new generation of clear acrylics known in their world as polymethyl methacrylate.

Lucite wasn't the first brand in 1936, but it's an enduring symbol of mid-century modern style spanning home furnishings and decor, industrial design and retail merchandising, contemporary art and costume jewelry.

"It's so modern, but it also looks futuristic at the same time," said Alexis Bittar. "It's definitely the platinum of the acrylics."

Bittar is the wizard of Lucite after a 20-year journey from hawking his jewelry on the streets of New York to hand-sculpting masks for Lady Gaga and floral pins for Michelle Obama.

"You can manipulate it any way you want," he said.

Lucite's qualities — it's easy to form, glue, cut, tint and fuse with other materials to add texture, colour and sparkle — are the things that made it a hit.

Lucite handbags from Charles Kahn and other designers in the '50s now fetch up to $600 or more from collectors.

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Lucite's evolution

Cheaper to produce than Bakelite, Galalith and Catalin, with a unique ability to conduct light, it has moved over the years from three-storey aquariums to the heels of women's shoes.

- "It's definitely fresh," said interior designer Benjamin Noriega-Ortiz, who created a sleek living-room set of clear Lucite for the New York City digs of Sean (Puffy) Combs.
- Lucite has its purists. Some wouldn't consider designing in colour, for example, or embellishing it with metals and other bling.

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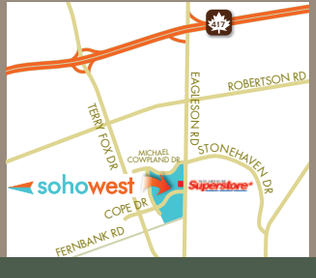

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Hardening won't be that hard

It's time to move those seedlings outside for planting Here is how you can make it pretty painless

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Transplanting seedlings outside should be done on a cloudy day to limit initial sunlight.

The May long weekend usually signals it's time to move seedlings that have been growing indoors outside into planters and gardens.

This process is called transplanting. Before transplanting, it is wise to harden your plants to ensure they take to their new environment. DIY Network Canada's Desperate Landscapes (weekdays at 8:30 p.m. ET/5:30 p.m. PT) offers a guide to hardening and transplanting.

Harden Up

Seedlings that were grown indoors under artificial light or on a window sill need to be acclimatized to the outdoors to ensure they continue to thrive in their new, harsher conditions.

This process is called hardening and is very simple. After the last frost, begin to place your seedlings outdoors for two to three hours at a time during the day.

Place them in a shady area that is protected from wind. Continue this for three days. After the third day, leave the plants outside for longer periods of time gradually building up to 10 hours. By day seven, seedlings can receive direct sunlight. Remember to bring them indoors every night. After two weeks, the seedlings are ready to be transplanted.

Transplant Away

Transplanting should be done on a cloudy day in the late afternoon to give the plants time to adjust to their new environment.

Also, consider bringing the container with the seedlings outside to the new pot or garden so the soil-to-soil move happens quickly. When ready to transplant, locate the root of the seedling. If grown in a container, the seedlings are likely to have formed a root ball. Break apart the root ball as gently as possible to avoid root damage. Lightly watering the soil can assist this process.

Dig a hole in the new pot or garden that is deep enough to contain the plant's roots. Transfer the seedlings to the hole and pack the soil around the roots, leaving the soil loose near the top and water.

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Scented dame's are intoxicating

In the wild or in a garden, pretty Scented dame's rocket has power

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▶ Dame's rocket has a lot going for it. Besides being pretty and scented, the flowers bloom for weeks and weeks.

Dame's rocket is now blanketing the dappled shade of woodlands and roadsides with its white, mauve or purple flowers. Its sweet scent is especially pervasive on late spring and early summer evenings.

You might think dame's rocket (Hesperis matronalis) is a native plant; it can be seen, after all, in Quebec, in Georgia, in almost any state. But dame's rocket is a native of Europe and western Asia that early on was cultivated in American gardens, then escaped to find a happy home in the wilds of eastern North America.

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Dame's rocket also might be mistaken for phlox. Both have sweetly scented flowers in similar shapes and colours, and the flowers of both plants are held clustered atop 60- or 90-centimetre-high stalks. Look more closely, though, and you'll find that phlox flower parts are in fives. Dame's rocket, in contrast, has four petals. And they are in the shape of a cross, which is a giveaway for members of the cabbage family.

That cabbage association is how the "rocket" got into the name. Many cabbage relatives have this in their name; it's derived from the Latin "eruca" for cabbage-like plants. The now familiar vegetable arugula — also cabbage kin — has also been called rucola or rocket. And if you think it odd that a relative of cabbage should have a sweet scent, take a whiff of sweet alyssum.

AN OLD-FASHIONED FLOWER

Dame's rocket has a lot going for it. Besides being pretty and scented, the flowers bloom for weeks. Judging from where the plants have happily settled, they obviously tolerate cold and shade. They even tolerate dry shade, with some sacrifice to how long they bloom. And pests? None to speak of.

Dame's rocket was once a popular garden plant.

Perhaps it is now so rarely cultivated because it is so abundant in the wild. Also, dame's rocket is a biennial: Individual plants grow leaves their first year, flower the second, then die. What nursery would sell a plant almost guaranteed to die at the end of its second year?

Being a biennial should not discredit dame's rocket, though, because it is also self-seeding. A planting eventually develops an ongoing population. The only glitch is if you start with dame's rockets having double flowers.

Seedlings of these double-flowered sorts revert to single forms, so your planting would flower every year, but the flowers would eventually all be single.

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Getting started

There are a few ways to get dame's rocket into your flower garden.

- **Buy them** Plants or seeds are sometimes available commercially. If you ever do come across plants of one of those double-flowered dame's rockets, the way to multiply them is by taking cuttings.
- **Find them** Wild plants obviously make abundant seed every year, so why not mark a few outstanding plants and collect seed from them?
- **Transplant** Another possible way to get started with dame's rocket is to transplant just a few wild plants into the garden, then coddle them for a couple of weeks with water and extra shade until roots settle.

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You'd love to incorporate the boutique look in your upstairs bathroom, or streamline the look of your living room or your kitchen, but you don't exactly have the budget for a full-scale renovation. Not to worry. We talked to Karl Lohnes, Metro's Décor Moment columnist, and Frank Turco, the Toronto-based senior manager of trend and design for Home Depot Canada, to find easy ways to get high-end looks for much, much less.

IN THE KITCHEN

CUPBOARDS

White creates a timeless kitchen look, suggests Lohnes. If your cupboards are in good shape, think about just re-facing the cupboard doors. "So that's not sanding down your doors — it's just getting new doors for your cupboards," says Turco. Also install new cabinet hardware — think inexpensive steel knobs for doors and pulls on.

COUNTERTOPS

Swap out your counter for a laminate one with the look of white cararra or French marble. For a modern look, pick counters with squared-off edges and skip the curved return on the back.

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▶White: simple, classic.

FLOORS AND WALLS

Laminate has come a long way baby. "Get a more luxurious look with quality laminate flooring, maybe the look of wood, which could be a higher-end look for most kitchens, or a laminate that looks like stone," suggests Lohnes. Then freshen up your walls with colours such as teal, turquoise or the new neutral — grey, adds Turco.

"A slab that fits against the wall looks more like a real slab of marble or granite," says Lohnes.

LIGHTING

Why not try outdoor lighting such as an outdoor stainless steel pendant in your kitchen?

"It gives a more industrial look and it's also less expensive than an interior light source," says Lohnes.

WALLS AND FLOORS

"You can buy tiled walls now, mosaic glass tiles on a big sheet so it's easy for a consumer to install. And there are mosaic glass tile sheets that look really good," says Lohnes.

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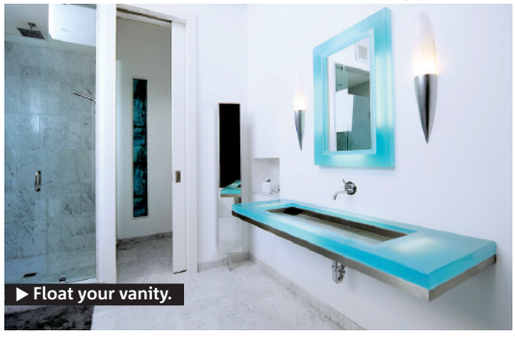

▶ Float your vanity.

IN THE BATHROOM

SHOWER/TUB

Can't afford a new tub? Then hide yours. "Hang your shower rod at ceiling height and then put a floor-to-ceiling curtain on it. It gives you a wall of fabric and makes it feel more like a powder room," says Lohnes. "You can buy curtains long now or get some standard drapery and put a liner behind it."

MIRRORS

Replace your plate glass mirror with a tall vertical mirror.

"Then put your light fixture on top of that and you create almost a focal point," says Lohnes. Or buy a mirror framed by a mirror. "It's a cool look and can dress up a bathroom," says Turco.

VANITIES

Instead of installing a store-bought vanity, think about a floating vanity. "Have a contractor do a floating vanity top and then tile it or cover it with stone. It's often really inexpensive to do," says Lohnes. Or Turco suggests just switching out your faucet. "Single lever faucets are a huge trend and they are typically more contemporary," he notes.

IN THE LIVING ROOM

WALL COLOUR

Pick colours to suit how you use the room. "If it's a room where you watch TV at night, paint it a darker colour. But if you're using the room during the day, then keep it lighter and airier," says Lohnes. Also clean up the look of your living room by painting your mouldings the same colour as your walls.

LIGHTING

Cut back on your pot lighting if you're looking to change your lights. Use them in a corner, simply to brighten highlighting something on a wall. "Don't use them all over the room like a football field." Instead, introduce select lighting. Drum-shaped pendants are "a great way of adding some ambient lighting," says Turco.

FLOORS

Get creative when replacing your carpeting. Tile carpeting is eco-friendly, and "you can just cut out one tile to replace it if an area gets worn or stained," says Lohnes. Hate carpeting? "Laminate flooring could work in a living room because there's no moisture," says Turco.

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A helping hand, but no handouts

Manitoba won't subsidize but will help try to score Winnipeg NHL team: Premier

Manitoba taxpayers won't subsidize an NHL team in Winnipeg but the province will consider everything else in its power to score the return of professional hockey, Premier Greg Selinger said yesterday.

He said the province isn't involved with the negotiations between True North Sports and Entertainment Ltd. and the Atlanta Thrashers. But provincial officials have been in constant contact with the True North team for over a year about the possibility of bringing a team back to the city, Selinger said.

"We have no interest as a provincial government in supporting the operations of a hockey team," Selinger said.

He then added that doesn't mean Manitoba can't make the city a desirable place for the Thrashers. The province could help with any renovations that might need to be done to the downtown MTS Centre to support a team, he said.

"We will work closely with them to ensure there can be success in Manitoba," he said.

"I'm very optimistic that we can support an NHL franchise. I'm excited about the possibility of it coming to Manitoba and, if it comes, it will be a success."
PREMIER GREG SELINGER

"They'll look after the NHL franchise. If we can do more to support the building, serving a strong public role, we'll consider that."

Winnipeg lost its beloved Jets in 1996 when the team moved to Phoenix because of financial problems. Since then, Winnipeg has built a new arena — the MTS Centre — and has argued it can support an NHL franchise once again.

Rumours of a team returning to Winnipeg have been rampant since the team departed and many are skeptical about the latest reports. But excitement is also growing with some fans already debating online over what the prospective team should be called.

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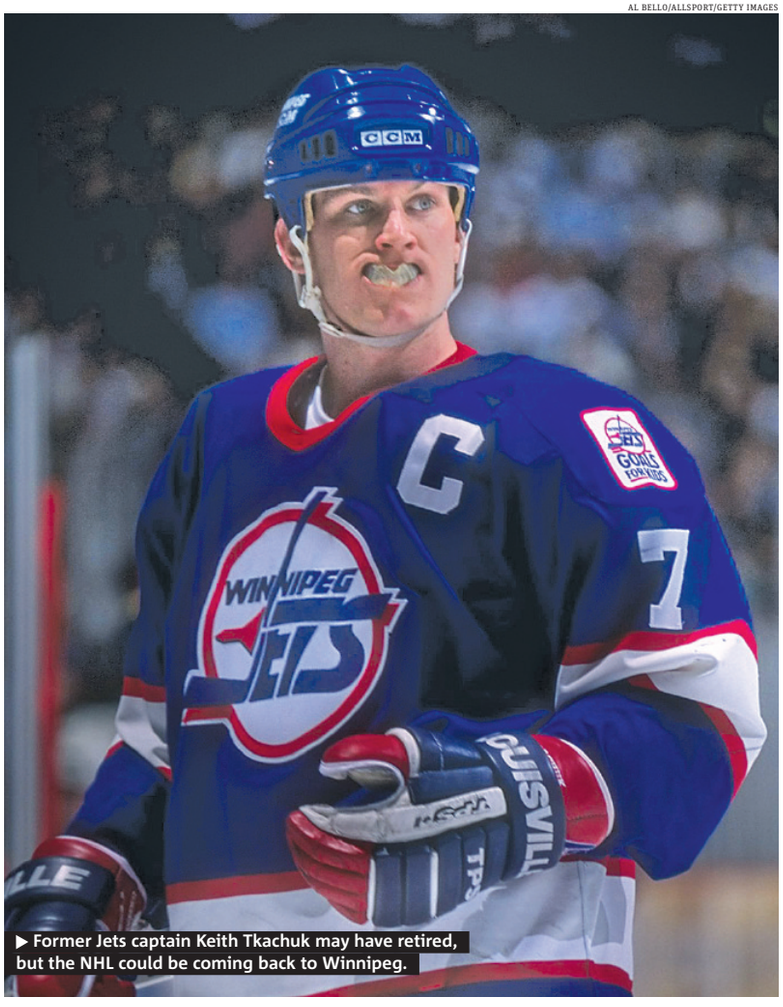

▶ Former Jets captain Keith Tkachuk may have retired, but the NHL could be coming back to Winnipeg.

Quoted

"It's so many emotions, it's hard to explain. It's almost like a dream come true."
RADAMEL FALCAO, AFTER HE SCORED THE WINNING GOAL TO GIVE FC PORTO A 1-0 WIN OVER BRAGA TO WIN THE EUROPA LEAGUE FINAL.

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Thunder coach at a loss after Nowitzki's brilliant Game 1

Over his 14 seasons in the NBA, Dirk Nowitzki says he's seen pretty much every defence possible.

Well, Thunder coach Scott Brooks is tempted to try the ultimate gamble — the invisible defender.

That's right, nobody. Maybe just someone shouting, "Boo!" or "Don't miss!" whenever Nowitzki loads up to shoot in Game 2 of the Western Conference final tonight.

Brooks surely was joking yesterday when he suggested not guarding Nowitzki. He was still awed and frustrated after the big German made 12-of-15 field goals and set a playoff record by hitting all 24 of his free throws on his way to 48 points in Game 1, the most by anyone this post-season

"There were nine shots that he made, no matter what you did, you couldn't have guarded him any better," Brooks said. "We put everybody on him. We tried to take it out of his hands. The only thing we didn't do was not guard him.

"Maybe tomorrow night, if we want to do something different, we don't challenge him. We play a zone and let him go free."

Nowitzki simply had one of those nights superstars have.

He figures the Thunder will try something different in Game 2.

"I'm going to try to attack like I always do," he said. "If it's not there, I can swing it, pick and roll. We've got a lot of options out there. We have a deep bench. So I don't feel the pressure to force shots, and that's the good thing about this team."

Because Nowitzki had such a historic game, it's easier for the Thunder to find some positives, starting with them keeping things close to the end. If they can do that, they can turn to Kevin Durant, whose 40 points were overshadowed by Nowitzki in Game 1, to try to turn the tide of the series.

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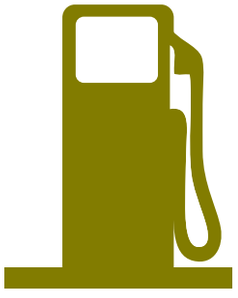
▶ Boston's Nathan Horton celebrates his Game 2 goal against Tampa Bay's Dwayne Roloson.



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Poor play can't dim Tiger's star power

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▶ Tiger Woods

For his golf, Tiger Woods is about to fall out of the top 10 in the world for the first time in 14 years. For his star power, he still ranks ahead of any other athlete.

Woods, whose last win came 18 months ago at the Australian Masters, will drop to at least No. 11 in the next world ranking published Monday. It will be the first time he is out of the top 10 since he was No. 13 April 6, 1997, the week before he won the Masters for the first time.

Forbes, meanwhile, says he is still the No. 1 celebrity in the sports world.

Woods checks in at No. 6 on Forbes' annual "Celebrity 100" list of the most powerful people or groups in the entertainment business. Lady Gaga tops the overall rankings, followed by Oprah Winfrey, Justin Bieber, U2 and Elton John.

Miami Heat star LeBron James is the second-ranked athlete behind Woods at No. 10. Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers is 14th.

Forbes estimated Woods' total earnings last year to be $75 million US, making him the highest-paid athlete. The magazine put Bryant's earnings for the last 12 months at $53 million, followed by James at $48 million and four-time major winner Phil Mickelson at $47 million.

Woods started the year at No. 2 and has been steadily dropping points. He tied for fourth at the Masters last month, but withdrew from The Players Championship last week because of injuries. He said on his website Monday that he will try to return in June for the U.S. Open.

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Breaking through the wall

Top goalies in Boston and Tampa have looked ordinary in East final

Boston and Tampa Bay have played a pair of surprisingly high-scoring games and the trend might continue the way the Eastern Conference final is going.

The series is tied 1-1 and the teams have combined for 18 goals.

That kind of offence seemed unlikely heading into the matchup featuring the top-two playoff goalies this season. Tampa Bay's Dwayne Roloson and Boston's Tim Thomas both allowed an average of two goals per game through the opening two playoff rounds.

"They're all-star players, and they're players that are top-notch players in the league," Roloson said yesterday.

"The guys we have on our team and the guys they have on their team, there's going to be times when you can't contain them. They're gifted players, so they're going to take advantage of the chances that they get."

Lightning centre Steven Stamkos agrees.

"You got two teams that know how to score goals," he said. "I think both teams would agree that it was, some of the goals you'd like to have back as a team, and by no means was there really any fault on the goaltenders."

Still, Roloson made a number of outstanding saves during Tampa Bay's Game 1 victory, while Thomas came up big late in Boston's 6-5 win in the second game Tuesday night.

"I saw him in the third, the last five, six minutes we had a lot of grade-A chances," Lightning captain Vincent Lecavalier said of Thomas. "He gave them the win there the last five minutes. We really felt we would tie it up, and we were getting our chances, but he made some huge saves."

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Unlikely snipers

If scoring continues to come from unexpected players, the big numbers will continue for both the Bruins and the Lightning in Game 3 in Tampa tonight.

- Boston rookie Tyler Seguin has three goals and three assists in the series. The No. 2 pick in last year's draft didn't play in Boston's first two series.
- Lightning third-liner Sean Bergenheim has eight goals in 13 playoff games, after scoring only 14 in 80 regular-season games.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

PLAYOFFS

All Times Eastern

CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7 series)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

BOSTON (3) vs. TAMPA BAY (5)
(Series tied 1-1)
Tuesday's result
Boston 6 Tampa Bay 5
Tonight's game
Boston at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.
Saturday's game
Boston at Tampa Bay, 1:30 p.m.
Monday, May 23
Tampa Bay at Boston, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, May 25
x-Boston at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.
Friday, May 27
x-Tampa Bay at Boston, 8 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

VANCOUVER (1) vs. SAN JOSE (2)
(Vancouver leads series 1-0)
Last night's result
San Jose at Vancouver
Tomorrow's game
Vancouver at San Jose, 9 p.m.
Sunday's game
Vancouver at San Jose, 3 p.m.
Tuesday, May 24
x-San Jose at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Thursday, May 26
x-Vancouver at San Jose, 9 p.m.
Saturday, May 28
x-San Jose at Vancouver, 8 p.m.
x — played only if necessary.

LATE TUESDAY

BRUINS 6, LIGHTNING 5

First Period
1. Tampa Bay, Hall 1 (Lecavalier, Thompson) 0:13
2. Boston, Horton 6 (Seidenberg, Kaberle) 13:58 (pp)
3. Tampa Bay, St. Louis 7 (Stamkos, Lecavalier) 19:53
Penalties — Hedman TB, Ference Bos (roughing) 2:31, Malone TB (elbowing) 6:32, Malone TB (interference) 11:20, Hall TB (roughing) 11:59, Horton Bos (interference) 17:16, Downie TB (roughing), Chara Bos (unsportsmanlike conduct) 19:03.
Second Period
4. Boston, Seguin 2 (Ryder) 0:48
5. Boston, Krejci 6 (Seidenberg, Horton) 2:24
6. Boston, Seguin 3 (Horton, McQuaid) 6:30
7. Tampa Bay, Lecavalier 6 (St. Louis, Stamkos) 7:48 (pp)
8. Boston, Ryder 3 (Seguin, Kaberle) 16:16 (pp)
9. Boston, Ryder 4 (Kelly, Seguin) 19:41
Penalties — Recchi Bos (cross-checking) 7:29, Chara Bos (tripping) 10:18, Lecavalier TB (hooking) 15:04.
Third Period
10. Tampa Bay, Stamkos 5 (Hedman, Hall) 3:47
11. Tampa Bay, Moore 3 (Lecavalier, Bergenheim) 13:15
Penalties — Moore TB (interference) 0:32, Horton Bos (elbowing) 10:07, Malone TB (goaltender interference) 13:36.
Shots

Tampa Bay	11	15	15	—41
Boston	18	9	8	—35

Goal (shots-saves) — Tampa Bay: Roloson (L,9-4-0)(27-21), M.Smith (start third)(8-8); Boston: Thomas (W,9-4-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Tampa Bay: 1-4; Boston: 2-6.
Referees — Eric Furlatt, Kelly Sutherland.
Linesmen — Jean Morin, Brad Kovachik.
Att. — 17,565 (17,565) at Boston.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
St. Louis, TB	7	9	16
Lecavalier, TB	6	10	16
Kesler, Vcr	5	11	16
Datsyuk, Det	4	11	15
Ward, Nash	7	6	13
Horton, Bos	6	7	13
Clowe, SJ	4	9	13
J.Thornton, SJ	3	10	13
Purcell, TB	2	11	13
Couture, SJ	6	6	12

Not including last night's game

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
New York	9	4	2	3	13	6	15
Philadelphia	9	4	3	2	6	6	14
Columbus	9	3	2	4	8	9	13
Houston	10	3	3	4	13	10	13
New England	10	3	3	4	9	12	13
D.C. United	10	3	4	3	13	18	12
Toronto	11	2	4	5	11	17	11
Chicago	9	1	3	5	12	15	8
Kansas City	7	1	5	1	11	17	4

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Los Angeles	12	5	2	5	17	12	20
Dallas	10	5	3	2	13	10	17
Real Salt Lake	7	5	1	1	9	2	16
Colorado	10	4	3	3	12	10	15
Portland	9	4	3	2	12	14	14
Seattle	11	3	3	5	13	11	14
Chivas USA	9	3	3	3	11	9	12
San Jose	9	2	4	3	10	11	9
Vancouver	11	1	5	5	12	16	8

Saturday's games
All Times Eastern
Chicago at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
New York at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Chivas USA, 10 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 10 p.m.
New England at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Columbus at Portland, 11 p.m.
Sunday's games
Real Salt Lake at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Colorado, 7 p.m.

NUTRILITE CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

CHAMPIONSHIP

TORONTO FC VS. VANCOUVER WHITECAPS
First Leg
Last night's result
Toronto at Vancouver

EUROPA LEAGUE

CHAMPIONSHIP

At Dublin
Yesterday's result
Porto (Portugal) 1 Braga (Portugal) 0

ENGLAND

LEAGUE ONE

PLAYOFF SEMIFINAL
Second Leg
Yesterday's result
Huddersfield 3 Bournemouth 3 (extra time) (aggregate tied 4-4; Huddersfield advances 4-2 on penalties)

SCOTLAND

FIRST DIVISION PLAYOFF

First Leg
Yesterday's result
Ayr United 1 Brechin City 1

NBA

PLAYOFFS

All Times Eastern

THIRD ROUND

(Best-of-7 series)

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Chicago (1) vs. Miami (2)
(Chicago leads series 1-0)
Last night's result
Miami at Chicago
Sunday's game
Chicago at Miami, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 24
Chicago at Miami, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 26
x-Miami at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 28
x-Chicago at Miami, 8:30 p.m.
Monday, May 30
x-Miami at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Dallas (3) vs. Oklahoma City (4)
(Dallas leads 1-0)
Tuesday's result
Dallas 121 Oklahoma City 112
Tonight's game
Oklahoma City at Dallas, 9 p.m.
Saturday's game
Dallas at Oklahoma City, 9 p.m.
Monday, May 23
Dallas at Oklahoma City, 9 p.m.
Wednesday, May 25
x-Oklahoma City at Dallas, 9 p.m.
Friday, May 27
x-Dallas at Oklahoma City, 9 p.m.
Sunday, May 29
x-Oklahoma City at Dallas, 9 p.m.
x — played only if necessary.

LATE TUESDAY

MAVERICKS 121, THUNDER 112

OKLAHOMA CITY (112)
Durant 10-18 18-19 40, Ibaka 7-11 3-3 17, Perkins 3-4 1-2 7, Westbrook 3-15 14-18 20, Sefolosha 2-2 0-0 6, Collison 2-4 0-0 4, Harden 5-9 1-1 12, Maynor 0-1 0-0 0, Mohammed 0-1 0-0 0, Cook 2-4 0-0 6, Robinson 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 34-72 37-43 112.
DALLAS (121)
Marion 5-10 1-1 11, Nowitzki 12-15 24-24 48, Chandler 1-2 1-2 3, Kidd 1-3 0-0 3, Stevenson 1-4 0-0 3, Terry 8-16 4-4 24, Haywood 1-1 1-2 3, Brewer 1-2 0-0 2, Stojakovic 1-8 0-0 3, Barea 8-12 3-3 21. Totals 39-73 34-36 121.

Oklahoma City	27	21	31	33—112
Dallas	20	35	35	31—121

3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 7-16 (Sefolosha 2-2, Cook 2-3, Durant 2-5, Harden 1-4, Robinson 0-2), Dallas 9-23 (Terry 4-8, Barea 2-3, Stevenson 1-3, Kidd 1-3, Stojakovic 1-6). Fouled Out—Marion. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 42 (Durant 8), Dallas 38 (Chandler 8). Assists—Oklahoma City 19 (Durant 5), Dallas 22 (Kidd 11). Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 27, Dallas 28. Technicals—Oklahoma City Coach Brooks, Perkins, Oklahoma City defensive three second 2, Dallas Coach Carlisle, Chandler, Terry. A—20,911 (19,200) at Dallas.

PLAYOFF SCORING LEADERS

	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Durant, OKC	13	120	115	387	29.8
Rose, CHI	12	117	90	345	28.8
Nowitzki, DAL	11	103	95	313	28.5
Howard, ORL	6	51	60	162	27.0
Anthony, NYK	4	33	29	104	26.0
Wade, MIA	11	97	80	280	25.5
James, MIA	11	94	73	276	25.1
Westbrook, OKC	13	102	91	307	23.6

Not including last night's game

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	24	18	.571	—
New York	21	19	.525	2
Boston	21	20	.512	2½
Toronto	21	20	.512	2½
Baltimore	19	21	.475	4

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	26	13	.667	—
Detroit	22	19	.537	5
Kansas City	20	21	.488	7
Chicago	18	25	.419	10
Minnesota	13	27	.325	13½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	22	20	.524	—
Texas	22	20	.524	—
Los Angeles	22	21	.512	½
Seattle	17	24	.415	4½

Last night's results
N.Y. Yankees at Baltimore
Tampa Bay at Toronto
Detroit at Boston
Cleveland at Chicago White Sox
Texas at Kansas City
Minnesota at Oakland
L.A. Angels at Seattle
Tuesday's results
Chicago White Sox 4 Texas 3
Cleveland 7 Kansas City 3
Minnesota 2 Seattle 1
N.Y. Yankees 6 Tampa Bay 2
Oakland 14 L.A. Angels 0
Toronto at Detroit (ppd., rain)
Baltimore at Boston (ppd., rain)
Today's games
All Times Eastern
Minnesota (Blackburn 2-4) at Oakland (T.Ross 3-2), 3:35 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Haren 4-2) at Seattle (Fister 2-4), 3:40 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 3-3) at Baltimore (Guthrie 1-6), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (W.Davis 4-3) at Toronto (R.Romero 3-4), 7:07 p.m.
Detroit (Verlander 4-3) at Boston (Beckett 3-1), 7:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Carmona 3-3) at Chicago White Sox (Floyd 4-3), 8:10 p.m.
Texas (Holland 3-1) at Kansas City (Hochevar 3-4), 8:10 p.m.

CYCLING

GIRO D'ITALIA

At Castelfidardo, Italy
Stage 11 — 144-kilometres
1. John Gadret, France, AG2R, three hours, 33 minutes, 11 seconds; 2. Joaquin Rodrigues, Spain, Katusha, same time; 3. Giovanni Visconti, Italy, Farnese Vini, s.t.; 4. Jose Serpa, Colombia, Androni, s.t.; 5. Alberto Contador, Spain, Saxo Bank, s.t.; 6. Roman Kreuziger, Czech Republic, Astana, s.t.; 7. Dario Cataldo, Italy, Quickstep, s.t.; 8. Michele Scarponi, Italy, Lampre, s.t.; 9. Pablo Garcia Lastras, Spain, Movistar, s.t.; 10. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Liquigas, s.t.
Also — 67. Michael Barry, Toronto, Sky Procycling.
Overall Leaders
(after 11th of 21 stages)
1. Alberto Contador, Spain, Saxo Bank, 40 hours, 37 minutes, 41 seconds; 2. Kanstantsin Sivtsov, Belarus, HTC-Highroad, 0:59 behind; 3. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Liquigas, 1:21; 4. Christophe Le Mevel, France, Garmin, 1:28; 5. Michele Scarponi, Italy, Lampre, same time.
Also — 58. Michael Barry, Toronto, Sky Procycling.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	26	16	.619	—
Florida	24	16	.600	1
Atlanta	25	19	.568	2
New York	20	22	.476	6
Washington	20	22	.476	6

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	25	18	.581	—
St. Louis	24	19	.558	1
Milwaukee	20	22	.476	4½
Pittsburgh	19	23	.452	5½
Chicago	17	23	.425	6½
Houston	15	27	.357	9½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	22	19	.537	—
San Francisco	22	19	.537	—
Los Angeles	20	23	.465	3
Arizona	18	23	.439	4
San Diego	18	24	.429	4½

Last night's results
N.Y. Mets 3 Washington 0
Philadelphia 2 Colorado 1
Pittsburgh 5 Cincinnati 0
Chicago Cubs at Florida
Houston at St. Louis
Atlanta at Arizona
Milwaukee at San Diego
San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers
Tuesday's results
Arizona 6 San Diego 1
Atlanta 3 Houston 1 (11 innings)
Cincinnati 7 Chicago Cubs 5
Colorado 5 San Francisco 3
L.A. Dodgers 3 Milwaukee 0
St. Louis 2 Philadelphia 1
Florida at New York (ppd., rain)
Pittsburgh at Washington (ppd., rain)
Today's games
All Times Eastern
Pittsburgh (Ja.McDonald 2-3) at Cincinnati (Cueto 2-0), 12:35 p.m.
Washington (L.Hernandez 3-5) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 2-0), 1:10 p.m.
Houston (Happ 3-4) at St. Louis (McClellan 5-1), 1:45 p.m.
Colorado (Chacin 4-2) at Philadelphia (Blanton 1-2), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (C.Coleman 1-3) at Florida (Volstad 2-2), 7:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Jurrjens 5-0) at Arizona (Collmenter 2-0), 9:40 p.m.
Milwaukee (Narveson 2-3) at San Diego (Harang 5-2), 10:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 0-6) at L.A. Dodgers (Billingsley 2-3), 10:10 p.m.

HOCKEY

MEMORIAL CUP

At Mississauga, Ont.
All Times Eastern

ROUND ROBIN

Tomorrow's game
Saint John vs. Mississauga, 7 p.m.
Saturday's game
Owen Sound vs. Kootenay, 7 p.m.
Sunday's game
Mississauga vs. Kootenay, 7 p.m.
Monday, May 23
Owen Sound vs. Saint John, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 24
Kootenay vs. Saint John, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 25
Mississauga vs. Owen Sound, 7 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP-WTA FRENCH OPEN QUALIFYING

At Paris
Men's Singles — Second Round
Alex Bogomolov Jr. (1), U.S., def. Rik de Voest, South Africa, 6-0, 1-6, 6-4.
Andrey Kuznetsov, Russia, def. Illya Marchenko (4), Ukraine, 5-7, 6-3, 6-3.
Javier Marti, Spain, def. Jaroslav Pospisil (6), Czech Republic, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Lukasz Kubot (11), Poland, def. Julio Silva, Brazil, 6-4, 6-1.
Albert Ramos (16), Spain, def. Federico del Bonis, Argentina, 4-6, 6-1, 6-2.
Ryan Harrison (18), U.S., def. Daniel Munoz-de la Nava, Spain, 6-7 (0), 6-4, 8-6.
Victor Crivoi, Romania, def. Gilles Muller (20), Luxembourg, 6-7 (1), 7-6 (5), 7-5.
Frank Dancevic, Niagara Falls, Ont., def. Eduardo Schwank, Argentina, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (5).
Women's Singles — First Round
Anastasia Pivovarova (1), Russia, def. Elina Svitolina, Ukraine, 6-1, 6-4.
Petra Cetkovska (2), Czech Republic, def. Arina Rodionova, Russia, 6-1, 7-5.
Liana Ungur, Romania, def. Petra Martic (3), Croatia, 6-3, 6-2.
Nuria Llagostera Vives (4), Spain, def. Beatriz Garcia Vidagany, Spain, 1-6, 6-2, 6-3.
Yvonne Meusburger (5), Austria, def. Kiki Bertens, Netherlands, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.
Heather Watson (6), Britain, def. Ioana Raluca Olaru, Romania, 6-3, 6-0.
Maria Elena Camerin (7), Italy, def. Nathalie Piquion, France, 0-6, 6-3, 6-4.
Aleksandra Wozniak, Blainville, Que., def. Lu Jing-Jing, China, 6-0, 7-5.
Stephanie Dubois, Laval, Que., def. Alexandra Panova (23), Russia, 7-5, 4-6, 6-2.
Sally Peers, Australia, def. **Heidi El Tabakh, Oakville, Ont.**, 7-5, 6-3.

WTA BRUSSELS OPEN

At Brussels, Belgium
Singles — Second Round
Caroline Wozniacki (1), Denmark, def. Varvara Lepchenko, U.S., 6-4, 7-6 (5).
Vera Zvonareva (2), Russia, def. Galina Voskoboeva, Kazakhstan, 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.
Francesca Schiavone (3), Italy, def. Irina Falconi, Italy, 6-4, 6-4.
Sofia Arvidsson, Sweden, def. Jelena Jankovic (4), Serbia, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Yanina Wickmayer (6), Belgium, def. Alison Van Uytvanck, Belgium, 7-6 (2), 6-4.

ATP OPEN DE NICE COTE D'AZUR

At Nice, France
Singles — Second Round
David Ferrer (1), Spain, def. Andreas Seppi, Italy, 6-3, 6-2.
Tomas Berdych (2), Czech Republic, def. Adrian Mannarino, France, 6-1, 6-4.
Nicolas Almagro (3), Spain, def. Carlos Berlocq, Argentina, 6-7 (5), 6-4, 6-3.
Alexandr Dolgopolov (5), Ukraine, def. Pere Riba, Spain, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (5).

WTA INTERNATIONAUX DE STRASBOURG

At Strasbourg, France
Singles — Second Round
Marion Bartoli (1), France, def. Elena Baltacha, Britain, walkover.
Andrea Petkovic (2), Germany, def. Zhang Shuai, China, 6-1, 6-3.
Nadia Petrova (4), Russia, def. Alize Cornet, France, 2-6, 6-2, 6-2.
Maria Kirilenko (5), Russia, def. Laura Pous-Tio, Spain, 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (5).

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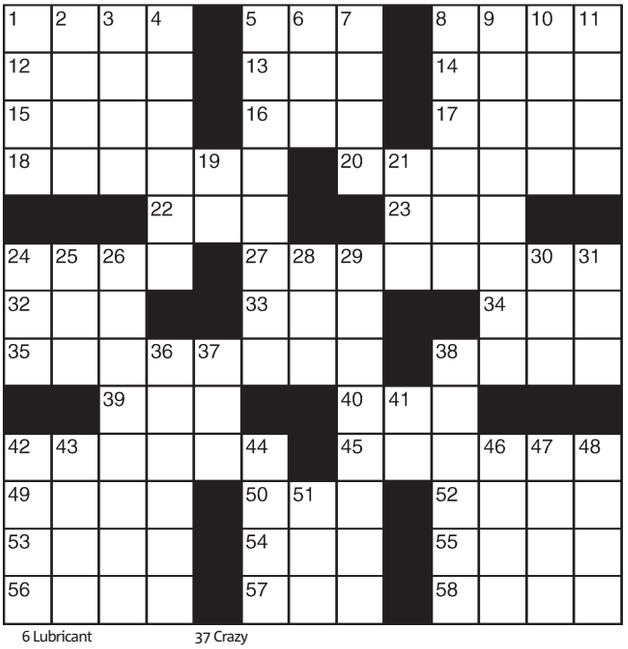

Across

1 Door handle
5 Pigeon's remark
8 Wound cover
12 Modern-day money
13 That guy
14 Collins or Donahue
15 First place
16 "The Greatest"
17 Stow cargo
18 Landlord
20 In layers
22 Blackbird
23 Shell game need
24 Start of the XIIIth century
27 Backed, as a motion
32 Cheery word?
33 — -jongg
34 Gabor or Longoria
35 Severe injuries
38 Worked with
39 Genetic matter
40 Decay
42 Puts up
45 Reactions to a pun
49 Lotion additive
50 Shelter
52 — moss
53 Picnic invaders
54 Bobby of hockey
55 Greek vowel
56 Glas-wegian gal
57 Petrol
58 Unsigned (Abbr.)

Down

1 Ship's spine
2 Undressed
3 Raw rocks
4 Dwarfed potted plant
5 Special appeal
6 Lubricant
7 Skip over
8 Ill will
9 Party game
10 Staffer
11 Evidenced a pinprick
19 Operating
21 Wall St. debut
24 "The A-Team" actor
25 Auto
26 "— of Fire"
28 Consume
29 San Diego squad
30 First lady?
31 Old man
36 If not
37 Crazy
38 Perfect place
41 Otherwise
42 False god
43 Arm bone
44 Trudge (through)
46 Very long time
47 Peacekeeping org.
48 Ollie's partner
51 Historic period

▶ Yesterday's answer

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P	A	T	I	O	■	■	S	L	I	D	E	R
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Sudoku

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	4			7				6
	3		8					7
	2	8					4	
			1		2			
	6					1	5	
4					7		8	
9				5			6	
	8		3	6				

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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

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7	2	6	1	4	3	8	5	9
1	8	4	2	5	9	7	3	6
8	6	2	7	3	1	9	4	5
3	1	9	4	2	5	6	7	8
4	5	7	9	6	8	3	1	2
9	3	5	6	1	2	4	8	7
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6	4	1	5	8	7	2	9	3

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You can't stand people who enjoy making drama out of a crisis. Stay calm.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 If there's something you need to do, get on with it now.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Look ahead and think of ways you can turn the tables on those who have given you a hard time in recent weeks. Don't be nasty though.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You'll take the opposing view to what everyone believes today. Have your reasons ready so you can explain.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 The pressure is piling up but as a Leo, you're strong enough to take it.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 A friend will say something about you today that is less than flattering. Find out why he or she said it.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 This may be a frustrating time, but cheer up. You've got so much to look forward to.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 If someone gets the impression you are easily manipulated, he or she may try to cheat you later on.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Today, you'll become convinced it's time to give up on something that clearly isn't doing you much good.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 . Over the next 24 hours your default position should be that everyone is lying. Can't be too careful.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You will have to put a project on hold today. Come back to it later.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. Make sure you relax and replenish your energy. The next few days will be busy. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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